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Arrivals.

February 20, TIBRE, French steamer, 1,009, de Girard, Yokohama 13th February, General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

February 20, JACOBINA, German bark, 217, Hohlmann, Newcastle, N.S.W., 4th Jan., Coals.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

February 20, HORNET, British gun-vessel, Commander H. N. Hippisley, Foochow 18th February.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, FEBRUARY 20TH.

Norna, British steamer, for Swatow.
England's Glory, British ship, for London.

Departures.

February 20, VIGILANT, British gun-vessel, for Canton River.
February 20, AUDACIOUS, British frigate, for a cruise.
February 20, PAU-TAU, Chinese steamer, for Canton.
February 20, DANUBE, British steamer, for Bangkok.
February 20, ALPHINGTON, British bark, for Tientsin.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.

Per *Tibre*, str., from Yokohama:—For Hongkong.—Messrs. MacMaster and Hansen. For Singapore—Mr. Lemisch. For Marseilles.—Messrs. W. Heise and Hunt.

TO DEPART.

Per *Norna*, str., for Swatow:—150 Chinese.
Per *England's Glory*, for London:—1 Chinese.

Reports.

The French steamship *Tibre* reports left Yokohama on 13th February, and had very strong and boisterous weather from the N.W. with high sea till the 19th instant; since then fine weather and moderate winds to port.

The German bark *Jacobina* reports left Newcastle, N.S.W., on 4th January. The first five days had strong Northerly winds; after which had Southerly and Westerly winds with fine weather to the Equator, which was crossed on the 20th, in long. 162 E. Passed Steward's Island on the 24th; from thence had variable winds and heavy squalls till the 2nd February; got then the N.E. winds from Pompi Island. The last three days generally unsettled weather and heavy Northerly gales.

YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

February— ARRIVALS.
8, Gaelic, British steamer, from Hongkong.
8, Malacca, British str., from Hongkong.
9, Tokio Maru, Japan. str., from Hongkong.

February— DEPARTURES.
6, Suide, British steamer, for Hongkong.
6, Iris, British S.m.schooner, for Formosa.
7, Caroline, German S.m. sch., for Formosa.
7, Stonewell Jackson, Amer. bark, for Kobe.
7, H. Maru, Japanese steamer, for Shanghai.
9, Niigata Maru, Jap. bark, for Shinagawa.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

February— ARRIVALS.
1, Poteenj, Dutch steamer, from Deli.
1, Hindostan, British str., from Calcutta.
1, Bushcer, British steamer, from Calcutta.
1, G. T. Ray, British bark, from Jehore.
2, Peter Anker, Nor. bark, from Sunderland.
2, B. of Southesk, Brit. bk., from Samarang.
2, Pelio, German bark, from Bangkok.
2, Salvadora, Spanish steamer, from Manila.
2, Vineta, German corvette, from Manila.
2, Feritower, British str., from Sourabaya.
2, Himalaya, British frigate, from Penang.
3, Bangkok, Siamese bark, from Quedah.
3, Kjobenhavn, Danish str., from Acheen.
4, Leon, Spanish steamer, from Manila.
4, Tennessee, Amer. frigate, from Bangkok.
4, Ruby, British steamer, from Palembang.
4, Aveuir, French steamer, from Batavia.
4, Pikman, British steamer, from Saigon.
5, Japan, British steamer, from Penang.
5, R. Brooke, Sarawak str., from Bangkok.
5, Bromo, Dutch steamer, from Batavia.
5, Louis Eugenie, Fren. bark, from Cardiff.
6, K. Sophia, Dutch steamer, from Penang.
6, Banda, British steamer, from Cheribon.
6, Vidar, British steamer, from Bally.
6, Far East, British steamer, from Rhio.
7, N. Desperandum, Br. bk., from Amboyna.
7, Aurora, British bark, from Bangkok.
7, Travancore, British str., from Bombay.
7, Ophir, Dutch steamer, from Rhio.
7, H. Knight, British bark, from Shields.
7, Estepona, British steamer, from Swatow.
8, Pontianak, British str., from Pontianak.

February— DEPARTURES.
2, Chow Phya, British steamer, for Saigon.
2, Argyll, British steamer, for Hongkong.
2, Burrue, French steamer, for Batavia.
2, Altona, German steamer, for Penang, &c.
2, Bampore, British steamer, for Penang.
2, B Young Seng, British str., for Bangkok.
2, Christine, German schooner, for Bangkok.
3, Feritower, British steamer, for Rangoon.
3, M.P. Nicolo, Italian bark, for Burmah.
3, Rosa, British steamer, for Sourabaya, &c.
3, Star Queen, British bark, for Bombay.
5, Bushcer, British steamer, for Calcutta.
5, Asterope, British ship, for London.
5, Margrethe, German bark, for Saigon.
5, Neicur, German bark, for London.
5, T. A. Fabius, Dutch steamer, for Acheen.
5, Pelocah, Dutch steamer, for Deli.
5, Bromo, Dutch steamer, for Acheen.
6, Sophia, British steamer, for Batavia.
6, Pelio, German bark, for Bangkok.
6, Pakman, British steamer, for Saigon.
8, S. Brooke, Sarawak str., for Bangkok.
8, Ophir, Dutch steamer, for Penang.
8, Japara, Dutch steamer, for Batavia.
8, Salvadora, Spanish steamer, for Manila.
8, Somerset, British steamer, for Australia.
8, Ruby, British steamer, for Palembang.

Vessels that have arrived in Europe from Ports in China, Japan and Manila.

(Per last Mail's Advice)

Vessels.	From	Date of Arrival
Castilla (s.)	Manila	Dec. 28
Nettis Merryman	Yokohama	Dec. 29
Teviot (s.)	China Ports	Dec. 29
Mutlah	Iloilo	Dec. 30
Manila (L.	Swatow	Jan. 1
Onward	Hongkong	Jan. 3
Glenlyon (s.)	China Ports	Jan. 3
Lord Macduff	Hongkong	Jan. 4

Auction Sales to-day.

None.

WANTED, by a young married woman, with no children, an ENGAGEMENT to proceed from Singapore or Penang to Europe as SERVANT to a LADY, or in CHARGE of CHILDREN. The Advertiser has been to Europe before in charge of children. Good References can be given. Apply to L. C., *Straits Times* Office, Singapore. [1m 274

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FOR SALE AT CHEAP PRICES.

CHUN QUAN KEE,
8p] CANAL ROAD, CANTON. [109

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the Firm of G. RAYNAL & Co. at this port, has THIS DAY been DISSOLVED by mutual consent.

GUSTAV RAYNAL.
CARL MILISCH.

3m 31 Macao, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been Authorised to SIGN for us by procuration.

We have This Day RE-OPENED a Branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

3m 15 Hongkong, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE Re-established myself as a GENERAL MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, and have taken over the Business of Messrs. EBELL & Co. at this Port, and the combined Establishments will be carried on under the Firm and Style of MILISCH & Co.

C. MILISCH.

2m 49 Macao, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

2m 216 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE AUTHORITY given to Mr. ALFRED HERTZ to SIGN our FIRM by Procuration has been WITHDRAWN.

CARLOWITZ & Co.

286 Hongkong, 17th February, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. WM. O. HOWLAND is authorized to SIGN our FIRM'S NAME per procuration.

WILLIAMS & Co.

6m 1933 Swatow, December 1st, 1876.

NOTICE.

MR. J. F. CORDES' INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY in our FIRM CEASED on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

27d 109 Hongkong, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. FRITZ LANGKEN'S INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY in our FIRM CEASED on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

21d 242 Hongkong, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY Established myself at THIS PORT as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT.

J. ALEXANDER.

3m 41 Amoy, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the Name of MESTERN and HULSE has This Day been DISSOLVED by lapse of time, and the Signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN.
W. HULSE.

3m 13 Canton, 31st December, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. JOHN T. A. ALEXANDER, in our Firm, CEASED on 31st ultimo.

JOHNSTON & Co.

3m 15 Amoy, 1st January, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. HENRY SUTTON in our Firm CEASED on the 31st January, 1877.

The Business will be continued under the Name of MOALLE & Co.

SUTTON & MOALLE.

1m 257 Amoy, 8th February, 1877.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th November, 1876, and until further notice, the Business of the above-named Dispensary will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUICKSHANK,
Manager.

tf 1867 Hongkong, 21st November, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND.....500,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors:—

Chairman—H. KOPPIUS, Esq.
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Ad. André, Esq. A. McIver, Esq.
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Chief Manager.
Hongkong—Thomas Jackson, Esq.

Manager.
Shanghai—Ewen Cameron, Esq.

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T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 5th February, 1877.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending on 30th December last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per Share of $425, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

tf 280 Hongkong, 16th February, 1877.

THE TOURIST'S GUIDE—REDUCED PRICE $1.

Containing the names of all the Articles of Trade, objects of Natural History, Furniture, &c., &c., with the Punti and Mandarin Pronunciation.

Also a few copies of the GRAMMAR of the Chinese Language, in two Parts.

The Daily Press Office.

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THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000 on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.

tf 674 Hongkong, 27th March, 1876.

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THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors, authorising them to issue Policies to the extent of $10,000 on any one First-class Risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on Adjoining Risks at Current Rates.

A Discount of 20 % allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
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48 Hongkong, 8th January, 1875.

To be Let.

TO LET.

NO. 3 PEDRILL TERRACE, BLOMER STREET, with immediate Possession.

Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

tf 243 Hongkong, 8th February, 1877.

TO LET.

THE UPPER PORTION of Nos. 42 and 44, QUEEN'S ROAD.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 1864 Hongkong, 11th January, 1877.

TO BE LET.

THE PREMISES, No. 30, QUEEN'S ROAD, at present in the occupation of the BORNEO COMPANY.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.

239 Hongkong, 7th February, 1877.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES formerly occupied by Messrs. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. as their Offices.

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tf 237 Hongkong, 17th February, 1877.

TO BE LET.

TWO Commodious HOUSES, in QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

Rent, $15 per month.

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No. 2, Queen's Road.

1923 Hongkong, 1st December, 1876.

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Apply to
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tf 2053 Hongkong, 29th December, 1876.

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HOUSES in SEYMOUR TERRACE and PEDDAR'S HILL.

No. 7, CAINE ROAD, lately occupied by Mr. PARKER.

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Apply to
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tf 512 Hongkong, 16th February, 1877.

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A FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWN on the Praya, Wanchai.

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Also,

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Apply to
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19 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1877.

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We have secured some Excellent Wines and Cognac of the well known shippers, CUTLER, PALMER & Co., and invite comparison with any and all other brands.

We have to offer:

	Per 1 doz. quarts.
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE	$15
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s HOCHHEIMER	$8.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CHATEAU MOULON	$12
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CHATEAU LAROSE	$7
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s ST. JULIEN	$6
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CANTENAC	$5.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s MEDOC	$4.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s HAUT SAUTERNE	$9
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SHERRY, fine full flavor, black seal	$10.25
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SHERRY, Vino Puro, blue seal	$9
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SHERRY, Manzanillo, red seal	$8.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co's SHERRY, Vino de Pasto, blue seal	$8.25
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 1 star	$6.25
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 3 star	$7.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 4 star	$9
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at $18 per Case of 1 doz. Quarts.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

1984 Hongkong, 13th December, 1876.

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$19.....per case of 2 dozen pints.
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"VIN DES PRINCES,"
$18.....per case of 1 dozen quarts.
PALMER MARGAUX
$3.....per case of 1 dozen quarts.
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$7.....per case of 1 dozen quarts
LORMONT.
$5.....per case of 1 dozen quarts.
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SIEMSSEN & Co.

592 Hongkong, 1st May, 1876.

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 1130 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

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643 Hongkong, 5th May, 1876.

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Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will Sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Rooms, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY,

the 23rd February, 1877, at 11 o'clock A.M.,—An Invoice of ENGRAVED and CUT GLASS WARE, comprising Engraved and Plain Cut Sherry, Port, Claret and Champagne GLASSES, TUMBLERS, Soda-Water TUMBLERS, CARAFES and JUGS, Quart and Pint DECANTERS, Pickle JARS, Handsome FLOWER STANDS,

&c., &c., &c.

All of which are now on view.

Also,

15 Cases HEIDSIECK'S Grand Vin Royal CHAMPAGNE.
12 Casks WASHING SODA.
10 Cases SAFETY MATCHES.
495 lbs. PERKINS and SON'S SOLUBLE BLUE VIOLET DYE.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fail of the hammer.

300 Hongkong, 21st February, 1877.

SALE OF HORSES AND CARRIAGES, &c., AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, at the Stables, Government House, on

TUESDAY,

the 27th February, 1877, at 4 o'clock P.M., The following HORSES and CARRIAGES, &c., &c., the Property of His Excellency Sir ARTHUR KENNEDY, &c.,—

A BAY AUSTRALIAN HORSE "KATAMARANG," carries a Lady, and Quiet in Harness.

A BLACK AUSTRALIAN HORSE "THE SNAKE," 5 years old, carries a Lady.

A London-built VICTORIA, with Pole, Shafts, and Single Harness.

A Light American WAGGON, with Pole, and fitted for Shafts.

A Quiet PONY, with TRAP and HARNESS.

The above may be viewed at Government House Stables, till the time of Sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchaser's risk on the fail of the hammer.

301 Hongkong, 21st February, 1877.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Dr. GEO. DODS to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 2nd day of March, 1877, at 12 o'clock Noon, (instead of the time previously advertised), at his Residence, 2, College Gardens,—

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE in WALNUT, made by Whitlock and Phillay, of Edinburgh; DINING-ROOM FURNITURE in MAHOGANY, by Finlay, of Edinburgh; Brussels CARPETS, PICTURES, GLASS WARE, CROCKERY, BEDROOM FURNITURE, BOOKS, WINES, &c., &c.

A Semi-Grand PIANO, by COLLARD and COLLARD.

A SEWING MACHINE, for hand or foot, by SINGER.

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One Parlour BILLIARD TABLE, with Balls, Cues, &c., complete.

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J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

281 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Rev. R. H. KIDD to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 5th day of March, 1877, at 2 o'clock P.M. (instead of the time previously advertised), at his Residence, Albany Road;—

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—Drawing, Dining and Bedroom SUITES, SOFAS, CHAIRS, EASY CHAIRS, MIRRORS, TABLES, PICTURES, SIDEBOARD, WRATNOTS, GLASS and PLATED WARE, CROCKERY WARE, BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, TOILET TABLES and GLASS, WASHSTANDS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after SATURDAY, the 3rd March.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

282 Hongkong, 16th February, 1877.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Agents.

tf 1192 Hongkong, 27th June, 1872.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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Established 1809.

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tf 1063 Hongkong, 7th July, 1874.

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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1871. [tf 866

Intimations.

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GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

In order to make room for SPRING GOODS on and after

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH,

We shall offer the remaining of our WINTER STOCK at an

IMMENSE REDUCTION.

DRESS GOODS, at 15 Cents per Yard.
DRESS GOODS, at 20 Cents per Yard.
DRESS GOODS, at 25 Cents per Yard.
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We offer about 5,000 Yards at 35 Cents per Yard (these are more or less soiled), Original Price $1.50 and $2.00 per Yard.

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Marked VERY CHEAP.

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All Sizes, at less than Half Price.

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CALICOS,
MUSLINS,

and other USEFUL GOODS, are marked at Prices which must effect immediate Sale.

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SAYLE AND CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD AND STANLEY STREET,
HONGKONG;
AND AT SHANGHAI.

MACEWEN, PRICKEL & Co have for Sale—
A FULL ASSORTMENT OF
CROSSE AND BLACKWELL'S STORES,
including:—
MIXED PICKLES.
PICKLED CABBAGE.
PICKLED WALNUTS.
PICALILLI.
REAL YARMOUTH BLOATERS.
KIPPERED HERRINGS.
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14 Hongkong, 16th February, 1877.

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H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

1m 194 Hongkong, 1st February, 1877.

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3m 28 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1877.

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FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon the current local rate of premia will be allowed upon insurances effected with this Company.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
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tf 1193 Hongkong, 27th June, 1872.

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept *risks against Fire at current rates*, subject to a bonus of 20 per cent.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
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tf 39 Hongkong, 18th November, 1872.

Intimations.

TREASURY BILLS.

TENDERS of SPECIE, Mexican Dollars current in this Colony, weighing 7.1.7, in exchange for BILLS, drawn at 10 days' sight, on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, will be RECEIVED by the TREASURER until 11 A.M. TO-DAY, the 21st instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required, and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn; but no Bills will be issued for sums below £1,000.

The Tenders to be in duplicate in Sealed Covers, addressed to "THE TREASURER," and endorsed "Tender for Treasury Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all the Tenders is reserved.

C. L. SHERVINTON, Lieut.-Colonel,
Assistant Commissary-General.

Treasury Office, Commissariat Buildings, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 20th February, 1877. [298

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 2nd March, 1877, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1876.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

177 Hongkong, 29th January, 1877.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in an ACCOUNT of BUSINESS contributed during the HALF YEAR ended 31st December, 1876, on or before the 28th instant, on which date the Accounts will be closed.

By Order of the Directors,
D. GIBLIES,
Secretary.

17d 262 Hongkong, 9th February, 1877.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

IN accordance with Article V. of the Articles of Agreement, a DIVIDEND to POLICY HOLDERS, for the fiscal year ending 30th September, 1876, of TWENTY PER CENT. on THE NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED, has been DECLARED, payable at the Office of the Undersigned, on and after 1st proximo.

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RUSSELL & Co.,
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1m 158 25th January, 1877.

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Apply at the *Daily Press* Office.

Hongkong, February, 1877.

NOTICE.

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LEONARDO NORONHA,
Proprietor.

207 Hongkong, 1st February 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. F. PANIZZA,
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PROFESSOR of the PIANOFORTE and SINGING,
now residing permanently in Hongkong, is prepared to attend Pupils for either of the above Branches.

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PROSPECTUS at Messrs. KRUSE & Co.'s

1d 247 Hongkong, 9th February, 1877.

G. O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON,
No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD,
HONGKONG.

227 Hongkong, 16th November, 1876.

STREET CRIES.

WANTED, the POLICE, or Someone in Authority to enforce Section XII. of Ordinance 10 of 1872, which runs as follows:—"Every Person shall be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Twenty-five Dollars who shall use or utter Cries for the purpose of buying or selling any Article whatever, or who shall make any Noise whatever, with the object of disposing of or attracting attention to his Goods, Wares, or Trade, within any District of Place not permitted by some Regulation of the Governor in Council."

1542 Hongkong, 27th September, 1876.

T. ALGAR,
HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENT,
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T. G. LINSTEAD,
Agent, Sun Fire Office.

1336 Hongkong, 4th October, 1876.

Intimations.

FAREWELL DINNER
TO HIS EXCELLENCY
SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, K.C.M.G., C.B.

Gentlemen wishing to join in the PUBLIC DINNER to be given to HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, at the CITY HALL, will please affix their Names to one of the lists which are at the HONGKONG and the GERMAN CLUBS and at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

The Lists will be CLOSED on SATURDAY.

By Order of the Committee,
J. RUSSELL,
Hon. Secretary.

302 Hongkong, 21st February, 1877.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

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290 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

FOR SALE.

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1m 297 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Business of this COMPANY has This Day been TRANSFERRED to THE MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, of 20, Old Broad Street, London.

By Order of the Proprietors,
WILLIAM HUNT,
Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, London,
1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON and Co., or

827 HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 21st, 1877.

INSURRECTION in Japan is apparently becoming chronic. It was only in October last that the Kumamoto outbreak occurred, and since that time the Government has had little respite from the task of subduing rebellions. The agriculturists, animated by a sense of wrong in connection with the burden of taxation imposed upon the land, rose in a number of districts, and though they were easily dispersed they managed to effect considerable destruction of property and cause a good deal of alarm in some of the smaller towns. The sweeping reduction in the taxation effected by the Government at once took away from them all cause for complaint, and naturally the rioters speedily dispersed. The Government might then, it would be concluded, reasonably hope for some peace and quietude, and most people thought that it had succeeded, for the time, at all events, in allaying disaffection. During both those risings the Satsuma men remained loyal to the Government, and it was believed that they would continue to show themselves peaceable subjects. But those anticipations have, in part at least, been disappointed. Some of the shizoku belonging to this powerful clan have broken out into insurrection. The insurgents are reported to consist of young men, students of a private school, who have, it appears, taken an oath to try and overthrow the Government. They formally requested Mr. Saigo to assume command of the movement; but this he prudently declined to do, and urged them to consider the result of the Saga and Kumamoto insurrections. But the malcontents repelled this sensible advice, and it is to be feared they will resort to violent measures. They have, it is stated, seized the gunpowder in the Arsenal on the island of Sakura, but at present no serious collision seems to have taken place. Still as there are reported to be two or three thousand of the Satsuma clan in open rebellion, it is scarcely probable that they will be dispersed without a contest. It is much to be regretted that these misguided men should have failed to learn a lesson from the result of recent attempts of the kind. But "hope springs eternal in the human breast," and these daring, but most incautious adherents of the ancient *régime* are doubtless sanguine they can succeed where others failed so miserably. If so, they will soon be terribly undeceived. The MIKADO's Government has not been obliged to put out its real strength in crushing any rebellions that have occurred since the abolition of the Shogunate, and it is fully competent to grapple with a much more formidable insurrection than has hitherto troubled it. Under such circumstances, true patriotism would, of course, lead even those belonging to the old order of things to remain quiet under the existing administration. Many of the nobles, who have little real sympathy with the Revolution of 1868, give their allegiance to the Government from a conviction that the change was inevitable and decreed by the will of the nation. But hot-blooded and fiery youth is ever impatient of control, loth even to accept accomplished facts, and those young Satsuma shizoku would no doubt long since have bidden defiance to the Government but for the restraining influence of their chief. For the sake of the welfare and prosperity of the country, it is sincerely to be hoped that the reactionists may yet be induced to give up their scheme of rebellion, in which case the Government would, in all probability, consent to overlook the demonstrations that have so far taken place. These successive agitations serve to check the advance of Japan, and multiply the difficulties in the way of economic administration. Great sacrifices in revenue have been made by the Government in order to lighten the load of taxation under which the rural population had so long groaned, and any fresh outlay must necessarily render the task of making both ends meet still harder to accomplish. The recent retrenchments have involved, among other things, the closing of the language schools at Aichi, Niigata, Nagasaki, Hiroshima, and Miyagi, the normal schools at Niigata, Hiroshima, and Aichi, and the girls' normal school at Tokio. This is a serious loss to the cause of education in Japan, but it was, it is to be presumed, unavoidable, or the Department of Instruction would not have resolved upon it. When such sacrifices have to be made for want of funds, it is certainly hard that a well-meaning Government should be further embarrassed by another rebellion, the rash authors of which ought to be fully aware is as hopeless as it is senseless.

The steamers *Tigre*, *Tonnemore*, *Ningpo*, and *Cyphrenes* arrived in Shanghai from Hongkong on the 19th instant.

As will be observed by advertisement in another column, the P. and O. steamer *Oceanic* will sail on the 3rd proximo instead of the 1st, as previously advertised.

In view (says the *Examiner*) of the forthcoming tercentenary of the death of Camoens, the singer of the "Lusiad," a biographical sketch of the tragic and melancholy fate of the great Portuguese poet, written by Dr. Karl von Reinhardstettner, will be published at Leipzig. A Camoens celebration, we learn, is intended in Portugal.

It will be seen by reference to an advertisement in another column that a farewell dinner is to be given to His Excellency the Governor previous to his departure from this Colony. The dinner will take place on Tuesday next at the City Hall, and lists remain open for signature at the Hongkong Club, the Club Germania, and at Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co.'s up to Saturday next.

The Band of Her Majesty's 28th Regiment will perform the following programme this evening:—

Quadrille	"Chaine de Fleurs"	Faust.
Overture	"Les Dragons de Villars"	A. Maillart.
Reminiscences	"Donizetti"	Godfrey.
Valse	"Pastoral Songs"	Bisquit.
Selection	"Bohemian Girl"	Balfe.
Carriage Song	"Russian"	Sir Hurst.
	"God Save the Queen."	

E. P. HUBER, Conductor.

A paragraph reproduced in yesterday's issue under the heading of Shanghai and from the *N. C. Daily News* made it appear that the Parsee community in that port had subscribed $200 towards the relief of the famine-stricken people in the North. We are informed that this is a mistake on the part of our contemporary. The amount should been 200 taels, not dollars, and it was forwarded from the Parsees of Hongkong to the British Consul at Shanghai as a donation out of their charitable fund, since which another sum of $200 from the same fund for the same object has been sent by the honorary secretary at the request of the community.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the above company was held at the office of the general managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., yesterday afternoon. There were present Hon. W. Keswick (Chairman), Messrs. Barnes, André, Manger, Bellilios, D. J. dos Remedios, Newton, Hoppius, Just, Morgan, H. Smith, Bell, Fairbairn, Cope, Jackson, Moseley, Rhodes, Deson, Coxon, E. Pye, Murray, Leith, and Alford (secretary).

The CHAIRMAN said—With your permission, gentlemen, we will, as usual, take the report as read. I am happy to say that there is very little for me to add to what is stated in the report. Since it was issued everything has gone well with the company. We know of no losses that have been incurred in addition to the few that are stated in the report as having occurred in Shanghai in January. I have only to congratulate the shareholders on the continued prosperity of the company, and to move the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. BELLILIOS seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN—The next business is to vote the usual remuneration to the consulting committee. Will any gentleman propose that?

Mr. NEWTON—I have much pleasure in moving that the usual remuneration be voted to the consulting committee.

Mr. HOPPIUS seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN—The next business is to vote the remuneration to the auditors, $150 each.

Mr. BARNES—I propose that the remuneration to the auditors be $150 each.

Mr. MORGAN seconded.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. SMITH—I beg to move that the present consulting committee, consisting of Messrs. J. dos Remedios, Niemac, Astro, Barnes, and Manger be re-elected.

Mr. MURRAY seconded.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. ANDRE—I have much pleasure in proposing that Messrs. H. Smith and A. Coxon be re-elected auditors of this company.

Mr. MANGER seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN—That closes the general business of the meeting, gentlemen. The dividend warrants will be issued to-morrow.

Mr. BARNES—Gentlemen, on previous occasions it has been customary to make some acknowledgment of the services which the secretary has rendered to the Company, and I think on the present occasion it is very fitting the custom should be kept up; as I believe Mr. Alford intends to go home shortly, and the usual gratuity would be doubly acceptable to him. I therefore propose, gentlemen, that we make Mr. Alford a present of $500.

Mr. BELLILIOS—I have pleasure in seconding this proposition.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. ALFORD thanked the shareholders.

Mr. BELLILIOS—I have a resolution to move, Mr. Chairman, the answer to which was placed before the shareholders of the China Fire Insurance Company a few days ago, by Mr. Sharp. It will not be necessary for me to go over the ground again: Mr. Sharp's speech has appeared in the papers and I endorse every word that has fallen from him. I have one further remark to make and that is that in my opinion there does not exist sufficient appliances for extinguishing fires in houses above the level of Queen's Road. In fact, we depend a good deal on our fresh water to extinguish fires, but it cannot be denied that it is not in abundant supply. We as inhabitants, feel the want of it and in the event of a fire taking place in the dry season above the level of Queen's Road, I don't believe there are any appliances to utilise sea water. In placing the resolution before the meeting I would suggest that in the event of any steps being taken in this matter means should be taken to provide appliances to make use of salt water in cases of fire taking place above the level of Queen's Road. This is the resolution I have to propose—"That the directors be requested to confer and co-operate with the board of the China Fire Insurance Company and the local Government with a view to the provision of further means of preventing and extinguishing fires."

Mr. HOPPIUS—I have great pleasure in seconding this motion, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN—I may say, gentlemen, with reference to this motion, that as general managers we shall be only too happy to assist as far as we possibly can in the furtherance of the object of the resolution. It must be obvious to everyone that the means of extinguishing fires are anything but adequate, and as Mr. Bellilios has pointed out, all the town above Queen's Road is at the mercy of any great fire that might take place. I don't agree at all with a great deal said on the subject, with regard to the appliances necessary. I think what we have to consider most of all in making provision for the extinguishing of fires is water. There ought to be a reserve of water in all the higher levels and a reserve of fire engines always ready at a moment's notice to be brought out. I think if means were taken to provide such, the risk of fire would be very greatly reduced indeed. Alarms and other means of communication are very useful indeed, but we want something more, we want something that can be used when alarms are given. As far as this resolution is concerned we shall be happy to work in accordance with it and I hope yet, gentlemen, will support it by voting for it.

The motion was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Mr. BELLILIOS—I move a vote of thanks to the General Managers and members of the committee for the pleasant result of their operations during the past year.

The vote was carried by acclamation.

The CHAIRMAN thanked the gentlemen present for the vote they had passed.

The meeting then terminated.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

The members of the Amateur Dramatic Club gave their fourth performance of the season at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Monday evening. The piece selected for representation was Mr. H. J. Byron's popular and sparkling burlesque, "Aladdin, or the Wonderful Scamp." This burlesque was first performed in the Theatre Royal on the 26th May, 1875, when it met with such a good reception as to fully warrant the Amateurs venturing on its repetition this season. Great changes have taken place in the community during the twenty-one months that have elapsed, and to a considerable proportion of the audience assembled on Monday night the representation was quite new, while to all it was enjoyable. The scenery was fresh, the local jokes were new, as were some of the songs, so that there was sufficient novelty about it even to interest those familiar with the plot. The night was clear and fine, but cold and tempted a good many out who might have remained by the fireside had it been wet and chilly. The house was well filled, though not exactly crowded, and His Excellency the Governor, Miss Kennedy, and Miss Banks, with Captain O'Callaghan (aide-de-camp), Sir John and Lady Smale, Admiral Ryder, Commodore Watson, and a large number of the leading residents were amongst those present.

The plot of "Aladdin," this burlesque can be said to have a connected plot, is too well known to need any description, especially as it has been thrice performed in Hongkong. The cast, with two exceptions, and those minor parts, was identical with that of the first representation. Mr. Sivel again portrayed the hero of the piece, and sustained the character with as much ability as ever. He was warmly applauded in the song, "Thy voice is near," which he gave in the jewelled cavern, but the policy of its introduction into a burlesque may be questioned. Mr. Sivel's dancing was much and deservedly admired. The *Sultan*, that "Cheerful Administrator" and impecunious autocrat, was very effectively personated by Mr. McGlashan. Throughout the piece that gentleman never allows his energy to flag, and thoroughly succeeds in presenting a comical caricature of an oriental despot. The *Vizier* finds a faithful exponent in Mr. *Alfred*, who is equal to a much more important part. His hopeful son, young *Pekoe*, who is languishing for the *Princess Badroulbadour*, is represented by Mr. Palmer with much spirit and success. Mr. Palmer has, moreover, a capital voice, and both when speaking and singing never fails to make himself heard in all parts of the theatre. The *rôle* of *Abanazar*, the Magician, is one for which Mr. Hawkins is specially suited. His get-up both as the pretended uncle of *Aladdin* and as the itinerant vendor of lamps is excellent. Mr. Traeb appeared again as the *Widow Twankay*, and, as on previous occasions, again, from the moment of his appearance, secured the attention, excited the merriment, and won the applause of the house. On Monday night he, if possible, surpassed his former portrayal of the Celestial Widder. His advent on the stage was the signal for an uproarious burst of merriment, which was again and again provoked by his marvellous get-up and the excellence of his acting. He gave the song "My gentle Boy" with much vivacity and effect, and it was energetically encored. Mr. Traeb has certainly proved himself a master of broad comedy. Miss Sydenham was entirely at home in the part of the *Princess Badroulbadour*, and did it full justice, frequently obtaining well merited applause. The minor parts—the *Genius of the Ring* (Dr. Duddles), the Slave of the Lamp (Mr. Irving), and *Fu-to-tum* (Mr. Brown)—were all fairly sustained. The local hits and jokes, with which the performance was pretty freely interlarded, created much amusement. The description of the appearance got by a number of well-known residents at the recent Calico Ball, and the tips furnished by *Widow Twankay* anent the forthcoming Races more particularly excited the risible faculties of the audience. The following, which was given by Mr. Traeb in the Sultan's Palace, is one of the most generally interesting specimens of local humour:—

We he'a't been asked to Government House; perhaps
Sir Arthur's busy packing up his traps;
The time, alas! is drawing very nigh
When I shall have to call and say good bye!
Adding "good voyage, and good wind, good water,"
Both to Sir Arthur and his charming daughter.
I'm sure that everybody here who knows him
Is very sorry were about to lose him,
And when he leaves us I can only hope
That we may jog along as pleasantly with "Pops;"
Free from disasters, typhoons, or tornadoes,
Or "rows" like those which happened in Barbadoes!

This was greeted with demonstrative approval. Altogether the fun was kept well going, and the audience were not behindhand in showing their appreciation of the efforts made to amuse them. The music, for which the music was specially composed by Mr. Panizza, was encored, and the curtain finally descended amidst loud applause.

The accompaniments were skilfully played by Mr. Panizza, and the band of the 28th Regiment, which was present by permission of Colonel Dickins and the officers, added much to the enjoyment of the evening by playing choice selections from Rossini, Verdi, and Bousquet, under the direction of Mr. Hurst. The scenery, most of which was new, was painted for the occasion by Messrs. Kyd and Baptista, and reflects much credit on those artists. The scene in the second act was a surprise to the audience. They were rather astonished to find Queen's-road faithfully depicted as a thoroughfare in the capital of China. The burlesque was, as before, well mounted, the costumes gorgeous, and great attention paid to every detail. The Amateurs certainly spare no pains or expense to put their pieces on the stage in an efficient manner, and the public are much indebted to them for their efforts to provide amusement in a place where so little is obtainable.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG CLUB V. THE OUT PORTS.

For some time past a match had been arranged against the Outa Ports, but, as it was not possible to collect a full team, it was thought best to extend the scope of selection and invite members of other Settlements to complete the necessary number. The match thus arranged was played on Monday, and Tuesday and will be completed this afternoon. The local club winning the toss, sent Messrs. Handley and Taylor to the wickets, the latter was clean bowled when four runs had been made, and Mr. Handley gave a chance to mid-on which was not taken. Mr. Hynes was then bowled by Mr. MacIver, who also took Mr. D. Travers' wicket in the next over. Three for 13. Mr. A. K. Travers then joined Mr. Handley and runs were got quickly, until Mr. Handley fell a victim to the same bowler who had caused the retirement of his companions. Major Budgen was next easily caught, at mid-off. Mr. Walker joined Mr. Travers and the game became lively, the score running rapidly up from 46 to 112; when Mr. Travers, after having made 56 runs, received four swift and dangerous balls from Mr. Mercer, and was clean bowled by the fifth ball. At 157 Mr. Walker was bowled, having made a good 42, with the exception of one chance to long stop. Mr. Johnson made 16, and the innings closed for 191. The Out-Ports then sent Messrs. Head and Forbes to the wickets, but the former having made two fours and three singles was neatly caught in the slips. Four for 17. Messrs. Hankinson and Aubert being both bowled off their pads. At 25 Mr. MacIver joined Mr. Mercer, who had been playing well, and the score mounted to 57, when Mr. MacIver was caught at long-on. Mr. Mercer was soon afterwards bowled, having made 25, in which was one good hit for 6. Mr. McMinnies raised his foot from the ground when the ball was in the wicket-keeper's hand and was forthwith stumped. Thanks to the steady play of Mr. Young and the hard hitting of Mr. Watson the innings of the Out-Ports having to follow their innings was obviated. At 5.30 stumps were drawn, the Out-Ports having 108 with one wicket to fall. Play commenced at 11.30 the next day, and, after one bye and one run to Mr. Watson, the innings was closed by Mr. A. Travers bowling Mr. Young's leg-stump out of the ground. Mr. Watson made a brilliant 25, not out. Messrs. Handley and Travers then went in for the Club, and, playing steadily and making runs at equal pace, the score gradually mounted to 95, when Mr. Travers was caught at mid-on off the slows. Mr. MacIver being unwell had to retire, and consequently altogether eight bowlers were tried by the out side. Mr. Griffith scored freely, and 150 were made, when Mr. Handley was cleverly thrown out by the substitute fielding for Mr. MacIver. Mr. Walker rapidly knocked up 29, when he was stumped by Mr. Head. His score included a six, five, four, and two threes. Mr. Griffith was then run out, after having made 25. Mr. A. Travers was bowled off his pad for nothing. Messrs. Taylor and Hynes were together for some time, but the former only scored three singles, and the latter, having been missed when he made 19, ran up his score to 44, when he was easily caught near the wicket. Major Budgen and Mr. de Rosset made 10 and 19 respectively, whilst Mr. Darby, having made one hit of 5, was allowed to carry out his bat, as his partner was out leg before wicket. The score of the day was Mr. Handley's, who made 80, in which were three fours, five threes, twelve twos, and the rest singles. His off-hitting was very strong, and his innings well and steadily played. The second innings of the Club closed for 296, which, with 54 on from the first innings, leaves 350 for the Out-Ports to make. The match will be resumed to-day at 2 p.m. The following is the score:—

CLUB.

FIRST INNINGS.		SECOND INNINGS.	
Mr. Handley, c Mac Iver	18	Thrown, run out	80
Mr. Taylor, b Mac Iver	3	c Kyne, b Young	7
Mr. Hynes, b Mac Iver	1	c Head, b Watson	44
Mr. D. Travers, b Mac Iver	1	c Mac Iver, b Forbes	41
Mr. A. Travers, b Mercer	56	b Young	0
Major Budgen, c Aubert, b Watson	4	hit w, b Watson	11
Mr. Walker, b Aubert	42	st Head, b Young	29
Mr. Johnson, b Watson	16	c Forbes, b Watson	9
Mr. de Rosset, b Watson	7	l b w, b Watson	19
Mr. Griffith, run out	4	run out	24
Mr. Darby, not out	0	not out	5
b 2, l b 4, w 8, n b 3	22	b 10, l b 3, w 12, n b 1	25
	194		296

OUT-PORTS.

FIRST INNINGS.	
Mr. Forbes (Shanghai), b Darby	4
Mr. Head (Amoy), c Budgen, b Darby	11
Mr. Hankinson (Amoy), b Darby	0
Mr. Wollatt (Swatow), b Darby	0
Mr. Aubert (Shanghai), l b Hynes	1
Mr. Mercer (Canton), b Hynes	26
Mr. MacIver (Amoy), c de Rosset, b A. Travers	17
Mr. Bridgman (Swatow), c Handley, b A. Travers	17
Mr. McMinnies (Shanghai), c Walker, b Hynes	1
Mr. Young (Foochow), b A. Travers	8
Mr. Watson (Amoy), not out	25
Byes, 1 b	7
	110

SUPREME COURT.

20th February.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE CHIEF JUSTICE SIR JOHN SMALE.

ALLEGED ROBBERY BY SERVANTS.

Li Achau, Kwan Arai, Hu Akin, Hu Afun, Au Atuk, and Fok Atam, were charged with stealing a quantity of table cutlery, statuettes, vases, &c., the property of Mr. Alves, a clerk in the Harbour Department and residing in Mosque Street. The prisoners were charged on a second count with receiving stolen property. The jury were Messrs. T. W. Fowles, J. A. Blogg, W. B. Spratt, L. Mendel, S. J. Crutch, D. B. Grant, and W. H. Loxley.

The Attorney-General, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, prosecuted; and Mr. Kingsmill, instructed by Mr. Bierstan, defended the fifth prisoner.

The first, third, and fourth prisoners were servants of Mr. Alves, and the second was the husband of his amah and slept in the servants' quarters. The fifth and sixth were furniture dealers. On the evening of the 11th January Mr. and Mrs. Alves went out to dinner, taking the fourth prisoner with them to wait at table. They returned about 12 o'clock, and on the following morning, in consequence of what he was told by the amah, Mr. Alves went downstairs, made an examination and found a number of things missing. He saw the fourth prisoner there crying, and he said his box had been opened and his things taken out. Mr. Alves finding no marks of forcible entry, suspicion fell on the servants and they were arrested by the police. There was no further evidence against them, but the jury were asked by the Attorney-General to say whether the robbery could have been effected without the intervention of the people on the premises. On the morning after the robbery Mr. Alves went round to give notice to the furniture dealers, warning them not to purchase any of the missing articles, and if they were brought to their shops to give information. He went to the shop of the sixth prisoner in the first instance, but did not find the man in. He then went to the shop of the fifth prisoner, and whilst talking with him noticed a man come to the shop with a basket, and the prisoner making certain signs to him, upon which the man left the shop and went to the sixth prisoner's. Mr. Alves followed him, and noticed on the top of the basket a napkin which he recognised as his property. Thereupon he took the napkin off and found in the basket two statuettes which had been stolen the evening before. The police were then sent for, and from there they went to the shop of a watchmaker which the fifth prisoner indicated, but they did not find the man in and he had not since been traced.

The second prisoner was discharged during the hearing, no evidence being forthcoming against him.

The court was occupied with the case until nearly six o'clock, when the jury found on an unanimous verdict of not guilty, and all the prisoners were acquitted.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

20th February.

BEFORE THE HON. C. MAY.

STEALING TROWSERS.

Chan Afun, a coolie, was charged with stealing a pair of trowsers from a bamboo.

Kow Atuk, a married woman, said she resided in the Queen's Road West, near Queen Street. On the 19th instant she had a pair trowsers hanging outside the door to dry. The prisoner passed and took them down from a bamboo. She called to him and he ran away, dropping the trowsers. A Chinese constable stopped the prisoner and she picked up the trowsers.

P.C. 204 proved same corroborative evidence.

The prisoner said he was passing the place at the time and saw others running and he ran also.

The prisoner was identified as having been in gaol on two occasions before for larceny and unlawful possession. He was this time sent to three months' hard labour.

STEALING AN UMBRELLA.

Woomuri, a seamas, unemployed, was charged with stealing an umbrella and a hat.

The complainant, a married woman, named, however, "A-mas," said the prisoner had been residing in her house for three months and she had boarded and lodged him. Twenty days ago he left the house and at the same time he took an umbrella and a hat covered with a red silk puggeree. He never returned to sleep or take a meal. On the 19th instant at 7 p.m. she saw the red silk puggeree at a tailor's shop. She then looked for the prisoner and found him at an opium smoking saloon. She took him to the tailor who said he was the man who had sold the puggeree.

Leung Akew, a tailor, said the prisoner was the man who sold him the puggeree.

The prisoner said he sold the puggeree but a man named Kitches gave it to him.

Kitches, being called, said the puggeree was taken away without his knowledge.

The prisoner was sent to ten days' hard labour.

LOST HIS TEETH.

Fong Sow Tin and Mok Aluen were charged Tai Acheong with assault.

The prosecutor said he saw the second prisoner, a boy, fighting with another boy. He wanted to separate them when the first prisoner, a cargo-boat master, interfered and struck him with a pole knocking out four of his teeth. He was sent to the Hospital and the prisoners were apprehended.

Choi Ashung, a Water-police constable said that at 1 p.m. on the 19th instant, he was on duty in a police boat off the Praya East, when he heard a great noise on the shore, and he landed. He saw the first prisoner running and he stopped him. The second prisoner was in the grasp of a "Red-haired man."

This constable, No. 441, was fined $1 for his impudent description of the foreigner.

The first prisoner said he saw the second struggling with the prosecutor with a pole which belonged to his boat. Each had hold of the other and he took the pole away. He saw the second prisoner pick up a piece of red tile and throw at the prosecutor and it was that which knocked his teeth out. He did not touch him with a pole.

Inspector Rivers said Mr. Mullony saw the occurrence, but were too busy to come to court to-day.

The case was then remanded until the 21st inst., and the first prisoner was admitted to bail in $25.

BEFORE JAMES RUSSELL, ESQ.

THEFT.

Chun Aho, a female servant, summoned Maria Gonsalves, for assaulting and beating her.

The complainant said she was servant to Mrs. Dyan. On the 15th instant she was sent by her mistress to collect money from the defendant. She went to her and the defendant told her to come on the 17th. She went at 3 p.m. on that day and called the defendant two or three times, when defendant got up and slapped her and bruised her face with a broom.

The defendant denied the charge, and said the complainant came and insulted her. She told her to go away, but she added insult to injury by calling her bad names.

The defendant was fined 25 cents.

TAICHOW.

1st February.

A few days ago an old man went into a shop outside the East-gate, and purchased fifteen cash worth of bean curd. One of the cash tendered in payment being considered too small, the shopman asked him to exchange it for a larger; this he refused to do, and a war of words ensued. The shopman's wrath waxing hot, he seized his refractory customer by the pigtail and the attachment between that appendage and its owner's head being very slight, it required but a slight pull to induce them to part company. The dispute had originated about the exchange of a cash which the shopman considered below standard size, but now the question suddenly assumed another aspect. If a Taichow-ite considers the seizing hold of his pigtail an injury to his feelings entitling him to twenty or twenty-four thousand cash compensation, what compensation is he entitled to receive when he gets it pulled away altogether? Legal proceedings were threatened, the shopman offered to settle by tendering the sum usually given "for an ordinary pull, but this was an extraordinary case, without a precedent, and the Chinaman will have to assess the amount of damage done. After a great deal of discussion, the matter having been referred to arbitration, it was decided not to trouble the above-mentioned gentleman, but that the shopman pay his customer forty thousand cash, and so the affair ends. Moral,—don't quarrel over one small cash lest you lose much more than it is worth.

On the 15th January, three men were executed in this town. The place of execution is in the busiest part of the city where the main streets between the east and west gates, and the north and south part of the city cross each other. The bodies were carried outside the east gate and buried immediately after the execution, but the heads were left lying beside a large pool of blood in the busiest street in the city, until the evening, when they were put into cages, to be exposed in the vicinity of the place where the men committed the crime for which they suffered, viz., for being concerned in an insurrection at a place called Tung-shu-shan, about which I wrote some time ago. It is commonly reported, however, that two of them were quite innocent, and had been falsely accused by parties who bore them a grudge and then induced to confess themselves guilty by the usual means of persuasion employed in Chinese yamens.—*Shanghai Courier* Correspondent.

TOKIO.

At Sumomoto, in the province of Awaji, a coal mine was recently discovered. On examination the coal was found, equal in quality to that of the Takashima mine so that it is expected mining operations will shortly be commenced.

The number of conscripts to be enrolled in the army this year will be 14,537. This exceeds the enrolment of last year by 3,840, the increase being rendered necessary by the fact that more deaths have occurred, and more men have been discharged from the ranks for various causes during the last three years than was anticipated.

It has hitherto been the rule that all agreements for the employment of foreigners, either by any Government Department or unofficial Japanese, should be submitted to the *Gaimusho* for approval before any final arrangement was permitted, but it has been notified that this proceeding may now be dispensed with.

We hear that the schools in which the English language was taught at Aichi, Hiroshima, Niigata, Nagasaki, and Miyagi, together with the Normal Schools at Aichi, and Hiroshima, all of which were hitherto under the supervision of the Educational Department, have been abolished. There are also rumours the Female Normal School and the Public Library at Tokio will no longer be kept up.—*Japan Mail.*

In the province of Mimasaka are some very high mountains, on the summits of which may be found a number of ominous eagles. These birds often afford amusement for the native sportsmen, but, as they are excessively shy, stratagem has to be resorted to in order to get close enough for a shot. In the same province are also numerous monkeys, and when a sportsman prepares for eagle shooting his first care is to procure one of these creatures, with which he wends his way to the mountains. On climbing in the neighbourhood of eyries, he puts a pole, and planting it in a conspicuous position, chains the monkey to it as a decoy. He then secretes himself in the cavity of a rock or in a hole in the ground, and awaits the result near by. The monkey climbs up and down the pole, and is soon observed by the eagles, who in trying to seize their prey fall to gun of the marksman. Eagle-shooting was a favorite amusement in the feudal times, when the feathers of the bird were most prized by the daimio and samurai.—*Japan Gazette.*

YOKOHAMA.

The Yokohama Saibansho will be removed to the old French Legation at Goshomi, Honcho, which was brought for yen 800, (P) about the end of next month. The Saibansho at Chojamachi will be sold.

Some years ago the Japanese authorities dug an immense hole, about forty feet wide and sixty feet deep, near Tobe, into which the bodies of decapitated criminals were thrown. Between four hundred and five hundred bodies were thus thrown into the pit. Last year the roof began to decay and the sides of the fosse to fall in, and the place was abandoned as a burial ground. Some two months ago the authorities determined to fill up this receptacle of dead men's bones, but before doing so they caused to be extracted all the skulls of the dead. The hole was then filled up and the skulls gathered together and placed over the site in a heap, where they still remain, presenting such a spectacle as one might expect to find in the King of Dahomey's dominions, but which one would not unreasonably be likely to consider as inconsistent with the boasted civilization of a country like Japan. Some of the skulls have the hair still adhering to them.—*Japan Gazette.*

An extremely clever and almost successful attempt at defrauding the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank by means of forged notes was fortunately discovered on the 6th instant. It is believed on the first attempt to put the false currency into circulation. A man named Williams, an American citizen, on that day about 5.30 p.m. presented for exchange, at one of the numerous petty Chinese shroff establishments in the town, a Hongkong and Shanghai Bank note for $500. The shroff had his suspicions aroused, and moreover, was somewhat startled at the amount of the proposed transaction; and sent the note to the compradore of the bank for examination. The compradore detected the forgery, as the document was a photograph, coloured,—and the tinting immediately gave way to the application of a wet finger. He sent instructions to the shroff to detain the man; which was done by alleging the necessity of sending to a distance for the *satsu* required for change—and, meanwhile the shop was guarded by a large body of Chinamen, until the arrival of Mr. Walter, the manager of the bank, who had been hastily summoned from his house on the Bluff. On being given in charge, the man affirmed his innocence, and entire ignorance of the whole matter, further than that a "friend" had given him the note to get change. On being interrogated, however, by General Van Buren, he broke down in his story, and ultimately gave up the name of his 'friend,' who is a man going by the name of Bennet, a Dane by birth, and a photographer by trade. Williams avers that Bennett has made a number of these false notes, but we believe no others have as yet been discovered, though the rooms occupied by both men have been carefully searched. Two other men who are implicated, both named Hansen, have also been arrested, one of whom is alleged to have furnished the good bank note which Bennett photographed. It is said that several of the counterfeit notes were prepared, and it is feared that an attempt has been made—whether successfully or not is at present uncertain—to pass some of them in Yedo. All the four men implicated are in safe custody.—*Japan Mail.*

KIOTO.

Mr. Yamamoto, who is held to be the best wood engraver in Kioto, is at present engaged in making twenty-five statuettes, representing the saints of Japan, which Mr. Emile Guimet, a French *savant*, ordered from him for the sum of $2,500 when he visited that town. The *Mainichi Shimbun*, whence we learn this, state that the profit accruing to Mr. Yamamoto is very small; but this artist loves his country so much that he has undertaken the work, as much as anything to show foreigners that Japan is not behind them in skill in the fine arts.—*Echo du Japan.*

OPENING OF THE KIOTO-OSAKA RAILWAY.

The following report of this event, which took place on the 5th inst., is translated by *The Japan Gazette* from the *Nichi Nichi Shimbun*:—

His Majesty the Emperor left his palace in Kioto at nine o'clock in the morning:—The procession was formed in the following order and proceeded to the Railway Station. The governor of the Kioto Fu on horseback; the Emperor's standard; a troop of cavalry; officers of the Emperor's Guard in two lines; the Emperor's attendants, and their superintendents, in carriages. His Majesty the Emperor, accompanied by the chamberlain in a carriage; Princes Arisugawa no Miya and Yamanashi no Miya; Sanjo, Daijo Daijin; Naikakukomon, Sanji, Minister of the Imperial Household; Dajo and Shojo, of the same department; Vice-Ministers and Secretaries of the Navy Department; President and Vice-President of Shikibu Rio, and Secretaries of the Finance

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC GOSSIP.

Bret Harte's "Two Men of Sandy Bar," has been published in Osgood's Little Classic Series.

There is a prospect of Mr. Tennyson's new drama of "Harold" appearing on the boards of the Lyceum Theatre, with, of course, Mr. Irving and the Misses Bateman in the principal characters.

The Bach Choir have resolved to give two or three concerts during the early spring, which will be devoted to the performance of the Mass and other selected choral works of importance little known in England.

A new *Revue Musicale*, is announced to be published at Constantinople, which is to contain especially pieces composed by the amateurs of the Turkish Empire. The work is likely to be a musical curiosity.

It is stated to be the intention of Signor Salvini to reappear in London during the approaching season. It is anticipated that his first performance will take place at Drury Lane Theatre, in the character of Macbeth.

Mr. M. A. Smythson, who for nearly twenty years has held the post of chorus-master to the Sacred Harmonic Society, has been presented by the president on behalf of numerous subscribers with a handsome testimonial as a mark of respect and esteem.

Mr. W. S. Gilbert has accepted a very liberal offer made by Mr. Sothern, who is to pay him two thousand pounds for a five-act play, the purchaser to have the exclusive copyright for England and America. This is the largest sum a dramatist has ever received.

For the series of performances of "Der Ring de Niebelungen," at Bayreuth, next autumn, it is said tickets will be sold at £5 instead of £30 the set. This, while it will enable enthusiasts of moderate income to attend the festival, seems also to imply a very serious falling-off in public interest.

The veteran Stuttgard tenor, Herr Sontheim, who induced the King of Wurtemburg to go to the expense of reducing the pitch, and a fortnight afterwards petitioned for the restoration of the former high standard, has been singing in Vienna in Halévy's "Juive," in which he still preserves his C sharp *de poitrine*.

An important literary discovery has lately been made in the library at Cassel, where Rudolf Genée, occupied with studies of English dramas antecedent to those of Shakespeare, has found an hitherto unknown edition of Marlowe's tragedy, "Edward II." in fact, an edition four years older than of 1594, previously understood to be his first one.

At the eighth Gewandhaus concert at Leipzig, Madame Schumann was the pianist, playing her husband's concerto in A minor, and solos by Mendelssohn and Chopin. She appears to have completely recovered from the effects of her late illness, and the German musical papers speak of her as being again in the full possession of her powers.

The long services to art rendered by Prof. Ella, of the Musical Union, were acknowledged in a complimentary address by Prof. Owen, at a reception of amateurs and artists on the 19th December, on which day Mr. Ella completed his seventy-fourth year. A telegram of congratulation was received from St. Petersburg, sent by Herr Rubinstein.

The death is announced, at seventy-seven years of age, of Mr. Daniel Pegler, of Colchester, whose merits as a musician drew from Thalberg the remark that he was one of the finest pianists in England. Some of his compositions are in the Queen's Library. He was accustomed to play between thirty and forty of Bach's fugues by heart.

Since the announcement of the fearful catastrophe resulting from the burning of the Brooklyn Theatre, the spirited and enterprising lessees of London houses have roused them to a greater regard for human life. One can now escape from the Lyceum by eight different exits—namely, by three doors in Wellington Street, two in Exeter Street, two in Burleigh Street, and one in the Strand.

The "*Graphic* Theatrical Autograph Album" is a new idea in publications. The first number is devoted to the comedy of "Hot Water," at the Criterion, and its successors will each deal with a current play. In the present, there are autographs of all the artists engaged, and a variety of portraits and sketches illustrative of the comedy. The "Album" is beautifully printed, and will be a most agreeable table book.

The new Shakespeare Society's edition of the Parallel Texts of the Quarto and Folio of "Henry V.," which Dr. Brinsley Nicholson's illness obliged him to give up completing, has been most kindly taken in hand by Mr. P. A. Daniel, and is going on quickly. The book will shortly be ready for issue early. Mr. Daniel has also undertaken the edition of the thirteen "Doubtful Plays" for Messrs. George Bell and Sons, which had been put into Dr. Nicholson's hands.

Mrs. William West, once a well-known actress, has just died at Glasgow, at the age of eighty-six. She made her first appearance in London at Covent Garden Theatre as Desdemona to Mr. Charles Young's Othello, on September 28th, 1812. In 1816 she was engaged at Drury Lane, where she remained playing the leading characters of tragedy for fifteen years. She afterwards went to Covent Garden for two seasons, and shortly afterwards retired from the stage to give lessons in elocution.

Galignani states that M. Scholcher, Senator, has just presented on the library of the Conservatoire de Musique at Paris a valuable collection of English music which has taken him nearly twenty years to form. Within the last sixty years old music has doubled in rarity and price; and a collection like that in question represents, first of all, an important sum of money; and, next an infinity of research and care. What is most striking in this matter, from its interest and scarcity, is a quantity of English airs, gathered together about 1797 by Joseph Baildon, who employed many years in assembling this series of curious memorials.

It is feared that the last of the antique school of tragedians may lose his sight. The accident to Mr. Barry Sullivan has resulted most seriously. When Mr. Sinclair's sword grazed his fellow-actor's cheek and pierced his eye-lid, Mr. Sullivan was at once removed to his lodgings at the Charing Cross Hotel. It was soon discovered that the sight of the wounded eye was partially destroyed; since then sympathetic blindness of the unhurt eye has set in, and the patient is confined to a darkened room. Mr. Sullivan is a popular man in the world and behind the scenes, and much sincere personal sympathy is expressed for him.

It is stated that Professor Macfarren and Sir Michael Costa are each writing an Oratorio on the subject of "Joseph." The comparison of the two works will form an interesting study for musicians; the styles of the two composers being so diametrically opposed, that it is probable each will invest the part of Joseph with different characteristics. Under Professor Macfarren's treatment he will probably appear as a severe, austere man, much given to express his thoughts in "contrapuntal" phrases, with melodies so artfully concealed as to defy discovery even by the learned. On the other hand, can we not already hear the gay Italian tunes, unmixed with even a *soupçon* of counterpoint to mar their lightheartedness, with which Sir Michael Costa will send him forth to sing his way into popularity?

A young lady in Yorkshire, is says the *Examiner*, is the habit of reading Shakespeare for the instruction of girls from the neighbouring factories. In order to make certain that they understand what she has been reading, she sometimes stops in the middle of a scene, and asks one of the girls whether she is sure that she quite comprehends it. Not long since she was reading from the opening scene of "Hamlet," and had come to the passage in which the queen implores her son to cast his nightly colour off, and not keep always mourning for his father. "Are you sure," she asked of one of the girls, "that you quite understand the meaning of this?" "Eh, yes, Miss," said the worthy girl, "Sis mother thinks that he ought to begin to go out to teas and such like." This is as good as Christie Johnstone.

An amusing incident occurred recently at the Albert Hall during the grand performance of the "Messiah." Mr. Sims Reeves was singing the air "Thou shalt break them," and hardly had the clear high notes of the last two words died away when they were repeated in shrill voice, words and all, from some crazy throner in the neighbourhood of the orchestra. The imitation was miserable. The audience was of too cultivated a sort to be thrown off its good behaviour by such an absurdity, which really had the ludicrous effect as if the famous tenor himself had sneezed in mid career. There was no laugh, but only a universal look of astonishment, followed by an "infinite smile" over the sea of faces, and then by a hearty and prolonged applause for Mr. Sims Reeves. When the applause was over, a middle-aged gentleman, sitting in an amphitheatre stall near the right-hand side of the orchestra, rose up and clapped his hands. Was that the echo? He certainly looked like the guilty man.

TROUBLE IN SATSUMA, JAPAN.

The *Hochi Shimbun* has published an extra giving intelligence of the trouble among the Satsuma men in Kagoshima. We translate it, the rising to which it refers being serious though probably in no way dangerous. What can a band of hot-headed youths without leaders or organisation do against the disciplined troops and police of a government, which two months since suppressed with ease a really formidable insurrection:—

Shibuya Hikosichi, a Kagoshima-Kencho official of the rank of *Hiro-yaku*, left his home in the steamer *Mikusi-maru* on the 3rd inst. and embarked on board the *Yokio-maru* in Kobe. On the 9th inst. he arrived at Tokio, where he furnished a detailed account of the movements of the rioters to the government. The insurgent party consists of young men without any recognised leader, but there seems no doubt that their designs are to try to overthrow the existing government. When they were informed that large quantities of gunpowder from the arsenal in the island of Sakuru were to be shipped to Osaka they became very excited and fearful lest the government should send troops against them; and so resolved to rise previous to the arrival of the forces. They requested Mr. Saigo to assume command over them, but he urged them to be peaceable, and to consider the results of the Saga and Yamaguchi insurrections. But when he saw that their excitement could not be restrained within bounds he left his home and has gone to some place unknown. Mr. Oyama, *Ken-sai*, seems to have determined to work for the government at the risk of his life, and to disperse the malcontents without using arms. The rioters are mostly students of the private school, which was established sometime since by Mr. Saigo. They have taken an oath to hold together under any circumstances. At the close of last year, when the price of rice was low, they purchased 40,000 *koku*. The *Yomiuri Shimbun* states that about two hundred shizoku attacked the Kencho, where a number of officials were killed, or wounded more or less severely, and that the assailants took possession of the place. This seems to be false. Mr. Kuwamura, Vice-Minister of the Naval Department, will stop at Nagasaki, whither various men-of-war will shortly follow him and preparations will be rapidly made against all contingencies. Mr. Hayashi, Vice-Minister of the Home Department, and his suite are reported to have met with shizoku near the Satsuma boundary; and a telegram from the south is said to have been received, which states that they were not allowed to enter that province. Mr. Kirino of the Kagoshima-ken, late General, is rumoured to have put himself at the head of the insurgents, who possess about 30,000 muskets, but very little ammunition. No Satsuma junks have entered the Osaka harbour this year.

The *Nichi Nichi Shimbun* states that rumours are current of a shizoku rising in the Kochiken, and that a letter from some of the leaders to those of Kagoshima has fallen into the hands of the Government.—*Japan Gazette.*

Mathew's was always well dressed, and carried a handsome umbrella. Munden was miserly, generally meanly dressed, and carried an old cotton parapline. After Munden had left the stage, Mathews met him one day in Covent Garden. "Ah! Munden," said Mathews, "I beg you'll let me have something of yours as a remembrancer." "Certainly my boy," replied Munden; "we'll exchange umbrellas." Mathews was so taken aback that Munden walked off with a new umbrella.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OPIUM.

TUESDAY, 20th February.

Of Patna sales to-day at $580 to $581, and of Benares at $545; select chests of the latter at $547½. No change to note in the terms of Malwa.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	4/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	4/2½
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight	4/3
Credits, at 6 months' sight	4/3½
Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight	4/3
ON BOMBAY.—Bank, sight	229
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, sight	229
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, sight	73½
Private, 30 days' sight	75½

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—24 per cent. premium, ex dividend.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—$620 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$1,825 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company—$205 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$572½ per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$157 per share, ex dividend.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—47½ per cent. discount.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—14 per cent. discount.

Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 94 per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$75 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$47½ per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan—£99, Ex. 4s. 1d.

SALES ON FEBRUARY 20TH, AS REPORTED BY CHINESE.

Almonds—10 bags at $22.50, by Kwong Hing to travelling trader.

Red Dates—140 bags at $3.82, by Kwong Hing Chong to travelling trader.

White Wax—4 pieces, at $[illegible].00, by Kwong Wing Shing to travelling trader.

Dried Lily Flowers—30 bags, at $11.40, by Kwong Wing Shing to travelling trader.

Vermicelli—39 bags, at $8.40, by Chun Chong to travelling trader.

Fungus—12 bags, at $28.80, by Chun Chong to travelling trader.

Mushrooms—10 cases, at $54.00, by Chun Chong to travelling trader.

Tobacco Leaf—30 bags, at Tls. 7.0.0.0, by Kwong Wo Cheung to travelling trader.

Sapanwood—60 piculs, at $1.92, by Wo Kee to travelling trader.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)

February 20th.	
Barometer—9 A.M.	30.456
Barometer—1 P.M.	30.370
Barometer—4 P.M.	30.320
Thermometer—9 A.M.	64
Thermometer—1 P.M.	68
Thermometer—4 P.M.	66
Thermometer—9 P.M. (Wet bulb)	60
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	60
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	62
Thermometer—Maximum	68
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	57

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

February 20th.

BAROMETER, THERMOMETER, &c.	HONG-KONG.		AMOY.		SHANG-HAI.		NAGA-SAKI.	
	Previous day at 4 P.M.	On date at 10 A.M.	Previous day at 4 P.M.	On date at 10 A.M.	Previous day at 4 P.M.	On date at 10 A.M.	Previous day at 4 P.M.	On date at 10 A.M.
Barometer	30.48	30.42	30.60	30.40	30.07	30.00	30.05	30.14
Thermometer attached	63.0	61.0	—	—	51.0	50.0	46.0	43.0
Direction of Wind	NNE	N	NE	NE	NNE	N	—	—
Force	1	4	3	3	4	5	0	0
Dry Thermometer	52.0	51.0	64.0	62.0	42.0	41.0	57.4	51.5
Wet Thermometer	41.0	47.0	61.0	59.0	37.0	40.0	54.0	50.0
Weather	b.	b.	b.	b.	m.b.	m.b.	c.c.	b.m.
Hours' Rain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Quantity fallen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

BAROMETER, level of the sea in inches, tens, and hundreds.

THERMOMETER, in Fahrenheit's degrees and tens, kept in the open air in a shaded situation.

DIRECTION OF WIND, is registered every two points, N., N.N.E., N.E., &c.

FORCE OF WIND.—0 calm, 1 to 3 light breeze, 3 to 5 moderate, 5 to 7 fresh, 7 to 9 strong, 9 to 10 heavy, 10 to 12 violent.

STATE OF WEATHER.—B. Clear blue sky, C. Cloudy, D. Drizzly, F. Fog, G. Foggy, H. Hail, L. Lightning, M. Misty, O. Overcast, P. Passing showers, Q. Squally, R. Rainy, S. Snowy, T. Thunder, U. Dull, threatening, V. Visibility, W. Warm, Z. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any impulse over the mean average of their signification.

RAIN.—The hours of rain for the previous 24 hours (noon) are registered from 1 to 24, and the quantity of water fallen indicated in inches, tens, and hundreds.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, *vid* SUEZ CANAL	Stentor (str.)			Butterfield & Swire	On or about 24th inst.
Do.	England's Glory	Knight	Hongkong	Meyer & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Star of China	Blaker	Hongkong	Meyer & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Helene	W. Taylor	Hongkong	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Korsor	L. C. Grove	Hongkong	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Quick despatch.
HAMBURG	Albatros	Koppelmann	Hongkong	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Quick despatch.
MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY	Spirit of the Age	Johnson	Hongkong	Rozario & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO *via* PANAMA	Oceanic (str.)		Hongkong	G. A. & O. S. Co.	On 3rd prox., at 3 P.M.
Do. Do.	Alaska (str.)			P. M. S. S. Co.	On 15th prox., at 3 P.M.
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, &c.	Amazone (str.)	Mortemart	Hongkong	Messageries Maritimes	On 22nd inst., at noon.
SINGAPORE, BOMBAY, &c.	Zambesi (str.)	Symons		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st prox., at noon.
MANILA	Esmeralda (str.)	Theband	Hongkong	A. MacG. Heaton	On 24th inst., at noon.
YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO	Cairnsmuir (str.)		Hongkong	Holliday, Wise & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Tibre (str.)	De Girard	Hongkong	Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
Do.	Bombay (str.)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Ulysses (str.)			Butterfield & Swire	On or about 23rd inst.
Do.	Anadyr (str.)	De Butler		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
Do.	Kashgar (str.)			P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
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290 Hongkong, 17th February, 1877.

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266 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

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H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

293 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

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294 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

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A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

295 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "KASHGAR" will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail.
A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

296 Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

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288 Hongkong, 16th February, 1877.

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278 Hongkong, 15th February, 1877.

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235 Hongkong, 6th February, 1877.

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33 Hongkong, 3rd January, 1877.

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388 Hongkong, 1st March, 1876.

Vessels on the Berth.

NOTICE.

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Shipping Orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 21st February, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board—they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1877.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

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Agent.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1877.

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Hongkong, February 21st, 1877.

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Extracts.

OLD SAYINGS.

As poor as a church mouse,
As thin as a rail;
As fat as a porpoise,
As rough as a gale;
As brave as a lion,
As spry as a cat;
As bright as a sixpence,
As weak as a rat;
As proud as a peacock,
As sly as a fox;
As hard as a march hare,
As strong as an ox;
As fair as a lily,
As tempting as sin;
As rich as a Croesus,
As green as a horse;
As pure as an angel,
As neat as a pin;
As smart as a steel trap,
As ugly as sin;
As dead as a door-nail;
As white as a sheet;
As flat as a pancake,
As red as a beet.

As round as an apple,
As black as your hat;
As brown as a berry,
As blind as bat;
As mean as a miser,
As full as a tick;
As plump as a partridge,
As sharp as a stick;
As clean as a penny,
As dark as a pall;
As hard as a millstone,
As bitter as gall;
As true as a fiddle,
As clear as a bell;
As dry as a herring,
As deep as a well.
As light as a feather,
As hard as a rock;
As stiff as a poker,
As calm as a clock;
As green as a gosling,
As brisk as a bee;
And now let me stop,
Lest you weary of me.

THE JEWS IN PALESTINE.

Mr. William Knighton says:—"During the early part of this year I was in the Holy Land. Everywhere, from Dan to Beersheba, I saw evidence of the renewed energy and activity of the Jewish race. As a people the Jews are flocking back to the land of their forefathers in great numbers from all the countries of Europe. In Jerusalem, and its neighbourhood particularly, every plot of ground for sale is eagerly bought up by them. The Jews are a wealthy race. The Turks, who nominally govern their promised land, are greatly in want of money. Would it not be possible for the Jews to issue among themselves a new Turkish loan on condition that they should obtain the right of governing their own land under the guardianship of the Great Powers of Europe? Would not many wealthy Christians be ready to assist them in this matter if the leaders of the Jewish community throughout Europe undertook it with some degree of vigour? A Republic or a Sacerdotal Government might thus be established in Jerusalem, nominally under the Turks still, but really under the guarantee of the Great Christian Powers of Europe—a Government which might be of incalculable benefit to Palestine, in which scarcely a farthing of public money is now spent for its improvement or for the development of its magnificent natural resources."

CAMILLE DESMOULINS, GUILLOTINED.

Wild with rage and despair, Camille tried to break his bonds, and, tearing his shirt to rags, so that his lean shoulder, neck and chest showed through the tatters, he made a last appeal to the crowd, an appeal more utterly thrown away on that heaving sea than if it had been shouted in the desert, where at least the echoes would not have answered by insults. "You are deceived, citizens," he cried, in hoarse tones, "clumsy rascals are serveyeare being sacrificed! It was I, who, in '89, called you to arms. I raised the first cry of liberty! My crime, my only crime, has been pity!" Vain words! The condemned, like the conquered everywhere, met with nothing but abuse. "Be quiet," said Danton to him, "and let the rabble be!" Evening was at hand. The weather was superb, as it was indeed during the whole of that terrible spring of 1794, so beautiful, so brilliant, so lovely, that old men said, "such weather had not been seen within the memory of man." The tumbril advanced slowly, pressing back the crowd. The academician Arnault, who saw it pass, has drawn, in his "Souvenirs d'un Sexagénaire," an indelible picture of this group of young and courageous men dragged to the scaffold. Danton's unblanched face wore an expression of contempt and disdain. Hérault de Séchelles, whose face also wore its natural hue, appeared more like a spectator than an actor in the drama that was being played. He looked at the surging sea of faces, ferocious, indifferent, or compassionate, with the phlegm of a painter who studies the ocean during a tempest. Fabre appeared to be overwhelmed. Camille Desmoulins spoke, called out, and appealed continually to the crowd. As they passed a café, Danton perceived that David was making a sketch of the martyrs. "Knave!" he called out to him. They passed before Robespierre's house, the windows were closed as if for a funeral—those windows which four short months afterwards were smeared with blood by the crowd in its delirium. Camille Desmoulins tried to make his terrible curses reach the ears of Maximilien. "My assassins," he cried, "will not long survive me." Thus was Danton's ejaculation at the trial repeated before the house of their enemy. A few more turns of the wheels, and then beyond the immense crowd that filled the Place de la Révolution, the condemned could perceive the hideous machine, which, notwithstanding its rust, glowed in the setting sun. There were gathered together multitudes of human beings, eager to see how the *Indulgents* would die. In the streets off the Place the taverns were full of men drinking, who sang and chinked their glasses. A ray of the sun reddened the great plaster statue of Liberty, which Madame Roland had saluted in dying, on which pigeons, indifferent to scenes which inflame the passions of men, had peacefully made their nests. The lilac trees were in full bloom on the terraces of the Tuileries. All this beauty of the opening year marked out the tragic scene with greater distinctness. The glory of the April evening made this frightful deed all the blacker. The tumbril drew up at the foot of the scaffold. The executioner began his work. Hérault de Séchelles, still calm and resolute, was the first to descend from the cart. He looked in the direction of the Garde Meuble, and saw a woman's hand, which from between the half-opened blinds waved a last farewell to the dying man, as if to say, "Thou wert loved!" It is known that he tried to embrace Danton, to press his cheek to the cheek of his friend. Sanson's assistants prevented this. Danton shrugged his shoulders. "Fools," he said "you will not be able to hinder our heads from meeting presently in the basket." He continued to scoff at death. Hérault mounted the guillotine, appeared standing on the platform, and while the crowd repeated his name, he was bound to the plank, his head severed from the trunk, and he was no more. Lacroix was the next executed. Then came Camille's turn. He recovered under the knife the calmness he had lost on the way thither. "Thus, then," he said, bitterly, as he looked at the clotted and gory arms of the guillotine, "the first apostle of Liberty sails!" and then, drawing attention to the lock of Lucile's fair hair, which he had held clasped tight within his fingers the whole way from the Conciergerie, he said, "Have this sent to my mother-in-law! . . . O my poor wife!" They pushed him under the knife, and his head fell.—*Claretie's Life of Desmoulins.*

IN ST. PETERSBURG.

Hard by is the little wooden house (for its better preservation encased in a bigger one of the same material) which Peter the Great inhabited while superintending the erection of Tsarsity. It is an odd contrast with the colossal grandeur of the Winter Palace opposite, with only three rooms (one of them converted into a chapel) furnished just as he left them, and exceedingly small. Outside the window is a boat, which he built with his own hands. In a corridor at the Hermitage there are many other memorials of him in the shape of turning lathes, walking sticks, telescopes, and a heavy iron staff constantly in use. His effigy in wax, in the dress of the period, gives a good notion of his vast strength and size. St. Petersburg is his imperishable monument; and there is a noble statue of him on horseback with his right hand stretched over the Neva, stamping under his horse's hoofs a huge serpent, emblematical of the difficulties he surmounted. Great, both in his vices and in his virtues, like many of his order, he was singularly unhappy in his domestic relations; and it is a curious instance of the possible inconsistencies in human nature, that the man who lost his wife by saving a peasant from drowning put his eldest son to death. The public places of St. Petersburg for width and grandeur are unparalled in Europe; and during winter, when the court is in residence, and the nobility have returned to the city, nothing can exceed the gaiety of the scene. Numberless sledges move noiselessly over the glittering snow with costly furs inside that represent a fortune. Magnificently caparisoned troops give colour and life to the vast thoroughfares, and everyone seems bent on defying the terrible cold, which the gales from the neighbouring gulf make far more severe than at Moscow. In summer, however, everything is at dead low water; and some one has truly remarked that at that time of year the frame is too big for the picture. Public gardens have lately been made in front of the Admiralty, and are exquisitely kept. The Summer Garden going down to the Neva is a favourite lounge for the citizens. The great square between the Winter Palace and the War Office is magnificent, and when massed with battalions of the Imperial Guard under review must suggest warlike thoughts of pride to the bystanders, but of serious peril to Europe. The monolithic granite column in the centre to the memory of the Emperor Alexander, were it not dwarfed by the immense space that surrounds it, would instantly be recognised as the largest in the world. If, however, the traveller looks for life and bustle, shops and carriages, tramways and omnibuses—a thoroughfare to rival Regent-street for animation, and the Rue de Rivoli for length—let him go to the Newsky Prospect, which from the Admiralty Square to the Moscow Railway Station is three miles long, with shops not despicable even after Paris and London. In this street is the Kazan Church, with a colonnade resembling that of St. Peter's, and the chief church of the capital until the erection of St. Isaac's. Here, too, are the vast bazaars which are convenient marts for Russian housekeepers, who sometimes desire to furnish a large palace from garret to cellar, between sunrise and sunsetown. It was here that, in a shop for the sale of *vertu* and old silver, I encountered a keener and more resolute business capacity than I ever remember to have met anywhere—out of Yorkshire.—*Canon Theroldi in "Good Words."*

HE WAS BOUND TO SHINE.

The time of political processions, says the *Danbury News*, is over, and as we look back we can call to mind many an incident that then seemed charged with the destinies of the party and which now appear in a humbler light. An anonymous contributor sends us a case in which the party had to get along without a prominent member, all because of a flash torch. Dobbs hasn't taken so much interest in an election, he says, since he voted for Frank Pierce, and when the Reform Club of Dobbsville was organised he put down an X on the subscription list and went into the chair with *eclat* and the campaign with a rush. The day before their grand torchlight procession, Dobbs took an early train for Boston and got a full suit of the regular campaign patent cloth—that is, as full a suit as they could furnish a man who is built as Dobbs, like a Dutch galliot, with more breadth of beam and depth of hold than length over all. "And now," says Dobbs, decidedly, "I want a torch—the newest thing out. Darn the expense. We're bound to shine, and I head the procession." The affable salesman showed him "torches in variety." Torches with firework attachments that ingeniously set off a Roman candle before you get out of the club-room; lanterns of coloured glass; do. of coloured paper; do. with frightful caricatures and still more horrible portraits; torches with brooms emblematical of the clean sweep which is to be made by the —— party in November; torches—but we ain't paid for advertising, and none of them suited Dobbs anyhow. "Ah, I have it at last," said the perspiring clerk. "Here you are! the patent flash. Gives a good steady light, is safe, cheap, novel, and startling. Just blow in this tube and it sends up a flash about a yard high and electrifies everybody." "Is it safe?" asked Dobbs, rather doubtfully. "Perfectly, sir. Never heard of any accident. Hundreds sold. Put it up for you, sir?" and Dobbs paid his bill and went home tired out, to sleep the sleep of the just. The Dobbsville Reform Club couldn't have had a pleasanter night, or a more successful turnout, but for one thing, and that was that Dobbs didn't display his rotund corpus at the head of the procession. He has seemed to take the same interest in politics since that night either, and this is the way he accounts for it: "You see it was all along of that blamed torch I bought in Boston. That day I filled it and experimented with it out in the workshop, and when it was dark, went out and got on my fixings, and then thought I'd go in and let Mrs. Dobbs and the children see how I looked. The children were pleased enough, but Mrs. Dobbs turned up her nose at my outfit and remarked that she didn't know what she had ever done to be tied to a superannuated idiot at her time of life. That kind of riled me, but I kept calm and said, 'Well, Maria, if the clothes are a little small, there's no other torch like this in the whole club.' She just looked at it and said, rather tart, 'I don't notice anything wonderful about it, except may be the smell.' Just then I thought of what the clerk said about its being startling, and I took a long breath and blew with all my might, calculating to startle her enough to pay her for that remark any way." Dobbs was a little out of breath and stood violently mopping his forehead with a red silk handkerchief. "Did it startle her?" we ventured at last. "Startle her? I should rather think it did. That confounded blaze shot up about five feet, blackened the ceiling, set fire to a pair of lace curtains that cost twenty dollars, and Mrs. Dobbs gave a scream, tumbled over an ottoman and upset a stand, smashing a forty-dollar statuette all to thunder. I dropped the torch, knocking down the canary cage and breaking a three foot pane in the window; but before I could help her up, Maria got on to her feet, got that torch, and laid me over on to the plush sofa, muddy boots and all, and then ran to the door to help the children holler 'Fire!' The department saved the house; but I don't care much about the club now, and shouldn't like to propose to Maria to go to another of its meetings. If I did I reckon that that flash torch is a delusion and rather was than dynamite any day. At least I got such a blowing up last night I don't want another."

THE DIVISIONS OF AN ORANGE.

There seems to be a want of a familiar household word for the divisions or segments into which an orange is naturally divided; both the words I have just used are quite too unhandy for the use of children, and I fancy that in many houses words have been coined by the young folks for these divisions. In one house I know they are called "slides" in another "pegs," and in another "quarters;" none of them good words. In Jamieson's "Scottish Dictionary," I find under the word "Lith," a division in any fruit, as "the lith of an orange, of an onion, &c." In Ulster dialect I have never heard of the lith of an orange, but the layers of an onion are called liths, and the layers of a shty-rock are also so called. There is some authority, therefore, for "lith of an orange," and the word really supplies a want. What do people call those liths in other places, and what name or names have they in countries where the orange is more at home than it is with us? In Mrs. Beeton's cookery book they are spoken of as "slices" and "pieces."—*Notes and Queries.*

THE CZAR NICHOLAS'S LETTERS ON THE CRIMEAN WAR.

After Inkermann.—"31st October (13th November). You must not let yourself be depressed, my dear Mentchikof, whilst you are at the head of the heroes of Sévastopol, having under your orders a body of eighty-thousand choice troops, who have just proved once more what they are capable of when they are led as they ought to be, and where they ought to be. With such gallant men it would be disgraceful to think of defeat. Again, tell them that I thank them—that seeing their true Russian courage I am satisfied with them. If hitherto we have not had the success which we had a right to expect, God is still full of mercy, and perhaps the success will yet come. As to abandoning Sévastopol, it would be disgraceful to think of it, so long as there are inside its walls and outside eighty thousand soldiers full of energy; it would be to forget our duty, and to lose all feeling of honour and patriotism. That is why I cannot for a moment think of such a thing. Let us die with glory, but not capitulate nor beat a retreat! I write no more, for I know not what there is to write about. I am happy that God has preserved my sons safe and sound; that they have shown themselves equal to their position and its exigencies. I end as I began: Let no one be disouraged—you, as commander, least of all, for all eyes are turned towards you, and your example ought to animate every individual to the fulfilment of his duty to the last extremity. May God protect you! I embrace you affectionately."

"2nd (14th November). In the name of God take care of the wounded; watch over them as much as possible. Encourage the troops; speak to them in my name; thank them! Let them know that their services are appreciated, and that their exploits reach me. Regard as soon as possible those who distinguish themselves." . . . .

"7th (19th November). Your report of the 31st October reached me this evening, my dear Mentchikof. God be praised that nothing very bad has happened as yet! The animated spirit of the army rejoices me very much; besides, I had no right to doubt it. It would be desirable that the troops should distinguish themselves, show their valour and their zeal; they can do it if they are skilfully directed. Thanks to God, the wounded are recovering. I will not cease to beg of you to do all you can to alleviate their sufferings. It is with a lively sentiment of pleasure I read your report, so favourable to my children; as a father, I am happy not to have been deceived in them. In my last letter I had already granted you the permission to decorate them, if you thought it just to do so. It would be wrong, too, to forget all those who are meritorious. I suppose Prince Gortchakof will find no obstacle in sending to you what forces he can spare from Nicolaiefsk. Note well that, those forces arrived, there will be no more to send. It would be vexatious to exhaust this last reserve, for it is the only one available to complete the other corps, for God alone knows what awaits us. It is very much to be regretted that your excellent cavalry had no chance of distinguishing itself."—*St. James's Magazine.*

THE DENTIST AND THE HORSE-DEALER.

Some time ago a well-known honest horse-dealer, living not a hundred miles from Andover, went to pay a professional visit to a dentist in a country town. The dentist put him through the usual miseries they inflict on their patients, and not unnaturally received from the horse-dealer an occasional growl of disgust. After a more than usually prolonged growl the dentist said," "Ah, you complain of my work; some of these fine days you will have to undergo a much more serious operation than this." "What is that?" said the horse-dealer. "Why, it is an operation for cataract, for one of your eyes is in a very queer state, and you will either have to change or operation or lose the sight of an eye." "Really," said the horse-dealer, "this is a very serious thing to tell a man, and not a very pleasant subject to have on one's mind. How long shall I have to wait before the operation is necessary?" "Well," said the dentist, "your eye is quite ready for the operation now; it rests with yourself to say how soon the thing shall be done; and rather than you should make yourself uneasy and nervous by dwelling upon it, I would operate on you myself. I am thoroughly *au fait* at this sort of thing, though I am a dentist. What do you say?" The horse-dealer was rather posed by this cool announcement, but the dentist was a man of infinite conceit, and no operation on earth, either surgical or otherwise, did he think he was unfitted to perform. So the horse-dealer, apparently gaining confidence, began to consider the dentist's proposal. He was possibly not aware of the serious nature of the operation—one of the most delicate known to the profession, and therefore in pondering over the dentist's offer he perhaps was likely to look too lightly on the matter. Many of my readers are no doubt aware that before an operation for cataract is performed the patient is dieted, the pupil is dilated with belladonna, and the most serious preparations are always made by the medical attendants. Even then only men of great skill and nerve perform the operation, but these trifles never troubled the enterprising dentist. At length the horse-dealer said, "You have taken me rather aback by your proposal, but, at the same time, I feel that anything is better than suspense; so I'll chance it if you will do it for me." The dentist at once assented, and looked out the knife forthwith. Having cautioned his confiding patient about the necessity of the most perfect calmness, and the firmest reliance on the operator, the horse-dealer leaned back in the chair, his hands firmly clutching the arms, and the operator proceeded to remove the cataract. Just as the knife was about to be used, the horse-dealer said, with an amount of calmness that did him infinite credit, "One word before you begin—I think it only fair to caution you that you are going to operate on *a glass eye.*" I will draw a veil over the dentist's feelings—but the story was never forgotten against him and to the day of his death the direst insult you could offer him was to use in his presence the simple word "eye-in-glass."—"*Man about Town*" in *Sporting Gazette.*

Lord Eldon lent two large volumes of precedent to a friend, and could not recollect to whom. In allusion to such borrowers, he observed that "though back-winded in accounting, they seemed to be practised in book-keeping."

HONGKONG MARKETS.

As Reported by Chinese on the 20th February, 1877.

COTTON GOODS.

American Sheetings, 16 lbs.	per piece	$2.50 a 2.60
Cambric Dulls, 36 yards	"	2.75 a 2.80
40 "	"	3.80 a 3.00
Cotton Yarn, No. 14 & 24, per 400 lbs.		80.00 a 101.00
32 & 36 "	"	107.00 a 115.00
38 & 42 "	"	112.00 a 124.00
Bombay "	"	76.00 a 78.00
Jeans	per piece	1.80 a 1.85
Twill Spotted Shirtings	"	3.05 a 3.20
Brocades Do.	"	3.75 a 3.00
Damask Do.	"	4.80 a 5.00
English Drills 36 yards	"	2.10 a 2.15
14 lbs	"	2.80 a 2.75
16 lbs.	"	2.65 a 2.07
Grey Shirtings, 7 lbs.	"	1.60 a 1.65
6 lbs.	"	1.70 a 1.75
52 lb.	"	1.90 a 2.40
9 lbs.	"	2.70 a 2.75
10 lbs.	"	2.97 a 3.15
Grey T Cloth, 24 yds x 32 in. 6 lbs.	"	1.30 a 1.45
24 " x 37 in. 7 lbs.	"	1.45 a 1.01
24 " x 36 in. 8 lbs. XO	"	2.05 a 2.10
24 " x 36 in. 8 lbs. QL	"	2.10 a 2.15
24 " x 36 in. 8 lbs. XX	"	2.55 a 2.60
Handkerchiefs, Blue	per doz.	0.60 a 0.70
" Brown	"	0.42 a 0.45
" Red	"	0.77 a 0.80
" Light Red	"	0.77 a 0.78
Jeans, 30 yards	"	2.80 a 3.40
Madras White, Plain, 18 yards	per piece	1.16 a 1.25
" Figured 36 "	"	2.05 a 2.25
" 38 lbs.	"	2.15 a 2.35
Velvets, Black	per yard	0.19 a 0.20
Gentian, 23	"	0.17 a 0.18
Velvetons, Black	"	0.21 a 0.22
Gentian	"	0.38 a 0.42
White Shirtings, 61 x 60 reed	per piece	1.95 a 2.10
68 x 68 "	"	2.30 a 2.45
68 x 80 "	"	2.60 a 3.15
70 x 70 "	"	3.30 a 3.35
7,000 "	"	3.40 a 3.45
AA	"	1.70 a 1.71
EF	"	5.90 a 5.95
MH	"	4.75 a 4.80
EL	"	5.55 a 5.70
White Spotted Shirtings	"	2.50 a 2.56
Brocades	"	2.70 a 2.75

WOOLLEN GOODS.

Blankets, 7 lbs.	per pair	$2.70 a 3.00
" 8 lbs.	"	3.00 a 3.05
" 9 lbs.	"	3.70 a 3.80
" 10 lbs.	"	4.85 a 5.10
" 12 lbs.	"	3.90 a 8.40
Camlets, SSS	per piece	16.00 a 18.50
SS	"	17.50 a 18.00
S	"	18.40 a 18.50
BBB	"	19.50 a 19.50
AAA	"	15.00 a 15.50
LLL	"	16.00 a 16.50
Cloth, Broad	per yard	2.18 a 3.00
" Medium	"	1.05 a 1.90
Long Ells, MM Scarlet	per piece	9.10 a 9.20
" Assorted	"	8.80 a 8.90
HH Scarlet	"	9.00 a 9.05
" Assorted	"	8.60 a 8.70
H Scarlet	"	8.10 a 8.20
" Assorted	"	8.75 a 8.80
Lustres, Figure	"	5.05 a 5.10
Lasting, DD	"	15.50 a 15.00
Orleans, Plain	"	6.00 a 6.30
Spanish Stripes	per yard	0.77 a 0.88

METALS.

Iron, Nail Rod	per picul	3.00 a 3.10
" Hoop	"	3.50 a 3.55
" Bar	"	2.90 a 2.95
" Wire	"	6.75 a 6.80
Lead	"	7.90 a 8.10
Pigs, W.B.	"	7.50 a 7.80
" Red Lead	"	7.90 a 8.10
" Lead, LB	"	8.70 a
Quicksilver, English	"	37.00 a
" American	"	38.00 a
Steel, English	per lib.	4.00 a 4.10
" Swedish	"	5.00 a 5.05
Sheathing Metal	per picul	25.00 a 28.00
Spelter	"	8.20 a 8.25
Tin, Mallacca	per picul	30.00 a 32.50
" Plates	per box	6.00 a 8.15

PRODUCE.

Almonds	per picul	19.50 a 21.00
Aloin, 1st quality	"	1.70 a 1.85
" 2nd "	"	1.25 a 1.60
Bark, Siam	"	0.83 a 1.10
" Camphor	"	14.50 a 15.00
Beche de Mer	"	30.00 a 35.00
Bees Wax, Japan, White	"	12.00 a 12.50
" " Yellow	"	47.00 a 48.00
" Hankow, White	"	56.00 a 58.50
Birds' Nests, 1st quality	per tal.	$2,200 a 4,000
" 2nd "	"	650 a 600
" 3rd "	"	170 a 250
Brimstone	"	8.20 a 8.25
Buffalo's Hide, Manila	"	7.40 a 15.50
Camphor, packed	"	17.50 a 18.00
" Barocs, clean	"	4,600 a 5,000
" Refined	"	2,800 a 3,200
Cardamoms, Superior	"	145.00 a 150.00
" Inferior	"	21.50 a 22.00
Cloves	"	82.00 a 85.00
Coals, Afloat	per ton	
" English team	"	9.50 a 10.00
" Sydney	"	9.20 a
Coffee	per picul	29.90 a 34.00
Copper Sheathing, Japan	"	25.00 a 26.00
" Bolt	"	24.50 a 25.00
" Nails	"	23.50 a 23.50
Cotton, Shanghai	"	15.50 a 16.00
" Bombay	"	16.50 a 17.00
" Shantung	"	15.00 a 15.25
" Ningpo	"	15.50 a 14.00
" Tientsin	"	16.00 a 16.50
" Tungchow	"	15.00 a 15.50
" Calcutta	"	13.00 a 15.50
Cotton Seeds, Saigon	"	5.20 a 5.30
" Siam	"	4.70 a 4.80
Cow's Hide	"	7.45 a 7.50
Cuttlefish, Japan	"	28.50 a 24.50
" without bones	"	19.00 a 14.50
" Changhow	"	27.80 a 23.50
Cutch	"	5.80 a 6.10
Dates, Black	"	4.50 a 5.00
" Red	"	8.35 a 9.00
Dried Lily Flowers	"	10.00 a 11.00
Elephant's Teeth, 6 x 5 pieces	"	350 a 300
" 7 x 5	"	300 a 220
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	"	1.65 a 1.10
" American per barrel of 100 lbs.	"	9.80 a 9.50
" " of 200 lbs.	"	6.10 a 6.25
Fungi	"	28.00 a 29.00
Fish	"	0.50 a 0.05
Ginseng, American, 1st quality	"	320.00 a 300.00
" 2nd "	"	160.00 a 140.00
Hams, Ordinary	Tls.	11.00 a 13.50
" Superior	Tls.	21.50 a 23.00
Hemp, Hankow	"	10.00 a 12.00
" Siam	"	10.40 a 11.00
Isinglass, Japan	"	30.00 a 45.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality	"	5.60 a 6.00
" 2nd "	"	5.10 a 5.00
Mushrooms	"	85.00 a 92.00
Mussels, dry Siam large	"	11.00 a 12.50
" " middle	"	7.50 a 7.80
Mussels, Dry Siam small	per picul	$6.10 a 8.50
Peas, White	"	2.00 a 2.05
" Green	"	2.40 a 2.45
" Black	"	2.40 a 2.45
" Yellow	"	2.50 a 2.55
" Green Round	"	2.40 a 2.45
Pearl Barley	"	6.50 a 7.00
Potatoes Bleu	"	Tls. 1.15 a 1.25
Putchuck	"	18.00 a 14.70
Rhinoceros Horn	"	2,000 a 3,000
" Mother	"	8,000 a 9,100
Rice, Bengal, Cargo No. 1	"	2.45 a 2.50
" " 2	"	2.20 a 2.25
" Siam, White	"	1.82 a 1.85
" " Island	"	1.69 a 1.71
" Manila	"	2.35 a 2.40
" Singapore	"	1.88 a 1.91
" Saigon	"	1.60 a 1.74
" Arracan	"	2.10 a 2.15
" Rangoon	"	2.35 a 2.40
Saltpetre	"	5.55 a 5.75
Seaweed, Green	"	2.75 a 2.80
" Cut	"	3.95 a 4.20
Sesamum, White	"	4.00 a 4.20
" Black	"	3.00 a 3.04
Sharksfin	"	35.00 a 50.00
Shellfish, Japan	"	27.00 a 30.00
" California	"	12.50 a 13.00
Sinews	"	5.00 a 5.50
Straits Produce, &c.		
Rattans, Straits, 1st	per picul	5.10 a 5.20
" Penjin	"	4.25 a 4.50
Pepper, White	"	15.45 a 15.00
" Black	"	8.81 a 8.80
Betel Nut	"	3.70 a 3.75
Sandal Wood, Malabar	"	8.50 a 8.70
" South Seas	"	13.00 a 14.50
Sapan Wood, Manila	"	1.60 a 1.00
" Siam	"	2.25 a 2.30
Sugar, Canton White, 1 & 3	"	5.20 a 5.45
" Dark Brown	"	4.70 a 5.00
" West Coast, Dark Brown	"	
" Manila, Dry White	"	5.55 a 5.00
" Candy	"	8.10 a 8.25
" Foochow	"	8.90 a 9.30
Vermicelli, Tientsin	"	8.30 a 9.00
Walnuts	"	4.50 a 4.75
Wheat, Tientsin	"	1.60 a 1.65
" California	"	1.70 a 1.75
Wood-Oil	"	Tls. 6.15.0 a 8.15.0
Yen	"	5.15.0 a 5.15.0
Tea	"	$0.25 a 0.35
Window Glass	per box	3.20 a 3.30

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captains.	Flag & Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destinations.
HONGKONG.						
STEAMERS.						
Amazons	Feb. 19	Mortemard	Fren. str	1997	Messageries Maritimes	Saigon, &c.
Bombay	Jan. 5	H.E. Smith	Brit. str	720	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Cairnmuir	Feb. 19	Spowart	Brit. str	1123	Holliday, Wise & Co	Yokohama
China	Feb. 7	Hennings	Ger. str	648	Siemssen & Co	
Douglas	Feb. 18	Burnie	Brit. str	861	D. Lapraik & Co	East Coast
Esmeralda	Feb. 16	Thebaud	Brit. str	315	A. MacG. Heaton	Manila
Glenroy	Feb. 12	Taylor	Brit. str	1370	Jardine, Matheson & Co	S'pore, &c.
Fame ‡	—		Brit. str	116	H.K. & W. Dk. Co	Tug Flying
Flintshire	Feb. 17	Thomas	Brit. str	1248	H. Kiar & Co	
Ichang ‡	—	D. Martin	Brit. str	700	Butterfield & Swire	
Killarney	Feb. 12	O'Niell	Brit. str	1060	Gibb, Livingston & Co	Cooktown
Kinshan ‡	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	1050	H.C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Kiu-Kiang ‡	—	T. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H.C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Namoa	Feb. 12	Westoby	Brit. str	862	D. Lapraik & Co	East Coast
Norna	Feb. 10	Walkup	Brit. str	606	Kwok Acheong	Swatow
Oceanic	Feb. 19	Purcell	Brit. str	2340	O. & O. S. S. Co	Yokohama, &c.
Peneda	Feb. 7	J. Cain	Brit. str	652	Melchers & Co	Saigon
J. Jeegeebhoy ‡	—	N. Hawkins	Brit. str	184	Kwok Acheong	
Saada	Dec. 17	Petersen	Brit. str	37	P. & O. S. N. Co	
Swatow	Feb. 14	Hutchison	Brit. str	520	Butterfield & Swire	Saigon
Tibre	Feb. 20	de Girard	Fren. str	1009	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama
White Cloud §	—	Hoyland	Brit. str	652	H.C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Yesso	Feb. 9	Punchard	Brit. str	559	D. Lapraik & Co	East Coast
Yot-sai §	—	D. Browne	Brit. str	810	Kwok Acheong	
Yotting	June 9		Brit. str	233	Kwok Acheong	
‡ Running between Hongkong and Canton. § Running between Macao and Hongkong.						
SAILING VESSELS.						
Adela	Feb. 14	Beattie	Brit. bk	353	Ed. Schellhass & Co	Newchwang
Alden Besse	Jan. 30	S. Noyes	Amr. bk	812	Rozario & Co	Portland
A.T. Stalknecht	Feb. 8	Schutt	Ger. bk	589	Siemssen & Co	
B. of Oregon	Feb. 9	Merriman	Amr. bk	1168	Rozario & Co	
Bertha	Jan. 26	Hinge	Ger. bk	442	Wieler & Co	Haiphong
Bonito	Jan. 28	Wesenberg	Ger. bk	524	Meyer & Co	London
Ba. Can	Jan. 26	Lange	Swn. bk	358	Chinese	
Cape Horn	Jan. 28	Matzen	Ger. bk	401	Wm. Pustau & Co	Phillippines
Carpo	Feb. 2	Murphy	Brit. bk	1033	Gibb, Livingston & Co	London
Caesar	—	Vinson	Amr. sch	296	Insurance Co	
Corinna	Oct. 25		Brit. bk	396	Wieler & Co	
Edward James	Jan. 9	O'Brien	Amr. bk	529	Rozario & Co	Portland
Eland's Glory	Dec. 25	Knight	Brit. sh	751	Meyer & Co	London
Formosa	Feb. 27	Quayle	Brit. sch	381	Siemssen & Co	Saigon
Forward	Feb. 1	Vanderverd	Brit. bk	759	Rozario & Co	Portland
Hongkong	Feb. 16	Com	Ger. sch	221	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Jacobine	Feb. 29	Hoehmann	Ger. bk	347	Siemssen & Co	
Korea	Feb. 12	L. C. Grove	Dan. bk	317	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	New York
Loiterer	Aug. 13	Vincent	Amr. sch	45	Insurance Co	
Lydia	Feb. 11	Youngson	Brit. bk	396	Butterfield & Swire	
McNear	Jan. 31	Taylor	Amr. sh	1308	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	New York
N. Gibson	Jan. 28	Bradford	Amr. bk	741	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Cebu
Pallas	Feb. 9	A. Luders	Ger. bk	492	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Paul Marie	Feb. 5	Gaillard	Fren. bk	324	Carlowitz & Co	Newchwang
Rapid	Jan. 9	Hunter	Siam. bk	429	Chinese	
Rio Loge	Feb. 9	Mathews	Brit. bg	241	Clyphant & Co	N. Zealand
Rosa Bottcher	Feb. 5	Schultz	Ger. bk	398	Wm. Pustau & Co	Touron
St. Anne	Feb. 6	Jan	Fren. bg	287	Carlowitz & Co	Newchwang
S. Nicholson	Feb. 8	Sekirt	Brit. sh	933	Melchers & Co	
Siampas Crown	Feb. 9	Sartorph	Siam. bk	540	Tack Mee & Co	
S. of the Age	Jan. 10	Johnson	Brit. bk	347	Rozario & Co	Melbourne
Star of China	Jan. 21	Blaker	Brit. sh	794	Meyer & Co	London
Sumatra	Oct. 21	Clough	Amr. sh	1071	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Tybursin	Jan. 31	R. Golder	Brit. sh	948	Meyer & Co	
Union	Feb. 8	M'cheverria	Span. sch	152	Remedios & Co	Iloilo
Western Bell	Feb. 12	H. B. Fish	Amr. bk	1135	Order	Manila
Wm. Turner	Feb. 12	Vanderverd	Brit. bk	431	Rozario & Co	
RECEIVING VESSELS & HULKS.						
Chase	—	—	Pow. Mag.	283	Harbour Master	
John Adam	—	J. H. Grimes	Hulk	318	Water Police	

H.M.'s SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Name.	Rig.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where At.
Audacious	double sc. frigate	14	800	Captain P. H. Colomb	Hongkong
Charybdis	steam corvette	16	400	Captain T. E. Smith	Shanghai
Curlew	double sc. gun vl.	3	160	Com. E. J. Obsen	Tientsin
Egeria	screw sloop	4	120	Com. A. L. Douglas	Hongkong
Fly	double sc. gun vl.	4	120	Com. John Bruce	En route to H'kong
Frolic	double sc. gun vl.	4	100	Com. A. E. Dupuis	Chinkiang